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Class, "Three Components of Marxism" at The New York School for Marxist Studies" at 853 Broadway on 1/20/61.

The class started at 6:30 P.M. and SAMUEL D'LONG announced that 30 students had enrolled for the course. He explained that, in order for the students to get the most out of the course, there would be two sections, the other to be led by SIDNEY GLICK.

Before splitting the group, the following was attended to: handbills were distributed announcing a forum to be held on 1/27/61 with HERBERT APTHEKER as guest speaker. The forum is to be concerned with a Marxian analysis of the Civil War (American Civil War). Mr. D'LONG announced that Mr. DEL VAYO of Spain would speak before a closed forum on 2/10/61. Exact time and place would be announced later and there would be no classes that night so that the students may attend. The course is to be extended for one week in order to make up the time. The distribution of the course syllabus was attended to and texts were sold: Wage, Labor & Capital and Value, Price & Profit, both pamphlets and both written by KARL MARX as well as JOHN EATON's Political Economy. Mr. D'LONG also announced that, in the future, assemblies would be held one week prior to the start of classes so that the first class of each semester would find the students already prepared to begin the work.

After breaking up, Mr. D'LONG's class contained 13 students, including:

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As Mr. D'LONG had pointed out and as was visibly noticeable, there was a wide range of ages represented among the students.

In his initial lecture, Mr. D'LONG worked from outline notes with the use of anecdotes to point out a

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situation or prevailing attitude, etc. He quoted various people, however, restricted his quotations to defenders of capitalism. The pervading current of his talk seemed to be that, since socialism was the apparent "coming" (quotes are mine) system, we must study it and we must study our present society so that we know the situation in which we are living.

He developed the theme that each preceeding system had, within itself, the seed of the succeeding system and that capitalism is the "most brutal" form of exploitation so far. For the most part, Mr. D'LONG followed the outline as shown on the course syllabus.

There was break at 8:15 P.M. for some 15 minutes. Mr. D'LONG announced that, in the following meetings, there would be a break between 8:00 & 8:30 P.M. There were copies of Mainstream and Political Affairs on the front desk which were presumably available for purchase.

The class was dismissed at 10:05 P.M. Attendance had been taken at the beginning of the session, first names being used.

Additional: Mr. D'LONG also mentioned and suggested the group send for: Administration of Teaching in Social Sciences in the USSR which is being distributed by the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Dear

This letter brings you news that we think you will find exciting: As part of the renaissance of inquiry and challenge that is appearing among American youth - as the youth of the world - many young people are planning a national youth paper to be launched this coming fall.

The paper, to be called New Horizons, and to start as a monthly, is to be edited by youth and to be aimed at them in the shops and schools of our country, and youth of all persuasions, nationalities, colors, and backgrounds. Its commitment is to vigorous thinking, opposition to conformity, denunciation of apathy, and a desire for a world of peace, fraternity, and security. It will welcome and encourage examination of all ideas now challenging mankind, and not least among these, the ideas of socialism.

The youth feel the need for adult support and encouragement and those of us who have signed our names to this letter feel honored to have been asked to help. Would you not want to join among the adults who indicate their support of this venture into the frontiers of thinking and planning for our rising new generation? Sponsorship carries with it no implication other than an interest in and support of this fresh new breeze. In all publicity and other usage of names nothing more than this will ever be indicated; on the contrary, the distinct limitation here indicated will be made explicit.

Please do let us hear from you soon, as the young people - naturally - are in a hurry, and they want their paper to be ready for this coming September.

With best wishes,

P.S. Enclosed is a copy of the prospectus of the new paper; it is what moved us to write you this letter and it will give you a fuller and clearer idea of what is involved.

Cordially,

Herbert Aptheker

Herbert Aptheker

Elmer Benson

Elmer Benson

Barrows Dunham

Barrows Dunham

Carl Marzani

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Capt. H. Milnes

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532)
FROM: SA ROBERT M. JUDAY (423)
SUBJECT: HERBERT APTHEKER

DATE: FEB 6 1961

On Jan 26, 1961, [redacted] made available the attached information regarding the above captioned subject. It is noted that this material had been in the possession of SEYMOUR ROBERT JOSEPH, [redacted] JOSEPH is subject of [redacted]

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It is noted that [redacted] identified SEYMOUR ROBERT JOSEPH as a member of the Queens County Communist Party Executive Committee as of 12/19/60, as well as the Organizer for Youth in the Queens County Communist Party.

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On 12/7/60, [redacted] advised that SEYMOUR JOSEPH was a member of N.Y. District CP Youth Commission. Also, [redacted] identified JOSEPH as a member of the N.Y. State CP Committee, as of 4/10/60.

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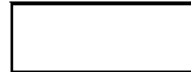
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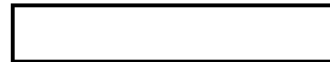
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On Monday evening Jan. 16, 1961, the first class entitled Pavlov and Psychology was held at the New School for Marxist Studies, 853 Broadway, N.Y.C. Time 6:30 - 8:00 P.M. Room 18F. The instructor for the course is JOSEPH LANE, also known as JOSEPH NAHEM.

Mr. LANE gave the class a brief outline as to what the course will cover.

In the first class Mr. LANE stated that the human mind is a reflection of the world produced by the brain.

Before one can understand behavior patterns, the brain & nervous system (Biol. Forces) and society and nature, one has to understand the emotions, attitudes and ideas (lang.) which is the mind. The__ were about nine people present.

Seen in the office of the New York School for Marxist Studies 853 Broadway, N.Y.C. Rm 1922 were the following:

1. Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER
2. HENRY KLEIN
3. RUTH DANIELS

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"The Worker" edition of 2/5/61, page 11, column 5,
carries the following announcement:

"Bronx Committee for Civil Liberties and Civil
Rights invites you to join in celebrating Brotherhood Week.
Speaker: Herbert Aptheker, prominent historian, also a
leading Negro spokesman. At Allerton Community Center, 693
Allerton Avenue, Bronx. On Washington's Birthday Eve., Tues.,
February 21, 1961, at 8 p.m. Musical program - Refreshments -
Donation 50¢."

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Remarks:

✓ The invitation announced the NYO113 has the honor to present Dr. JULIO ALVAREZ del VAYO, former Foreign Minister of the Spanish Republic (1935-39) in a talk on Current Developments in Spain on Friday evening, 2/10/61, at 8 pm at Hotel Statton-Atlantic (Winter Garden) Broadway and 34th St., NY. Subscription \$1.00. Invitation ends cordially, HERBERT A. MIGNOSA.

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-80641)
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CARE MUST BE EXERCISED IN REPORTING THE
FOLLOWING INFORMATION SINCE ITS VERY NATURE TENDS TO
IDENTIFY A SENSITIVE AND HIGHLY PLACED INFORMANT.

There follows a summary of a three day meeting of the National Committee (NC), Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA), held 1/20 - 22/61, at Adelphi Hall, 74 Fifth Ave., NYC. **INFO RE**

1ST AND 2ND DAYS' SESSION FROM [REDACTED]

The information was furnished to the Bureau by daily teletype summaries followed by a letterhead memorandum.

✓ On 1/20/61, the following individuals were observed entering Adelphi Hall, NYC, presumably to attend this meeting: WILLIAM ALBERTSON, HERBERT APTHEKER, PHILIP BART, ERIC BERT, EMANUEL BLUM, JESUS COLON, MICHAEL CRENOVICH, BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, JR., SAM DAVIS, TOM DENNIS, BEN DOBBS, BETTY GANNETT, SIMON W. GERSON, JACOB GREEN, FLO HALL, GUS HALL, JAMES E. JACKSON, ARNOLD JOHNSON, ANTHONY KRCHMAREK, SAM KUSHNER, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, GERALDINE LIGHTFOOT, ALBERT "MICKIE" LIMA, HYMAN LUMER, MORRIS CHILDS, MILDRED McADORY, GEORGE MEYERS, CHARLENE MITCHELL, TOM NABRIED, BURT NELSON, WILLIAM L. PATTERSON, IRVING POTASH, PAUL ROBESON, JR., MORTIMER DANIEL RUBIN, JACOB STACHEL, PATRICK TOOHEY, JAMES TORMEY, LOUIS WEINSTOCK, CARL WINTER, HELEN ALLISON WINTER.

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First Day's Session - 1/20/61

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT acted as chairman of this session. The agenda was announced as: 1). A report by GUS HALL on the 81 Party Statement adopted at Moscow; 2). Adoption of revisions and motions and a summary relative to HALL's report. GUS HALL then read his report. Some of the important statements in this report follows: At the 17th Convention of the CPUSA HALL pointed to a fundamental shift in the balance of world forces in favor of the camp of socialism, democracy, national independence and peace. Since our convention, the shift has continued along this favorable course. The nature of the changes, the present relationship of forces and the direction of events have been summed up in the statement issued by the world-historic conference of the representatives of the 81 Communist and Workers Parties. Six parties, including the CPUSA, did not participate because of acts of terror and persecution; including, in our case, the existence of the McCarran Act.

This police-state legislation is designed to illegalize the CP totally. It is aimed at preventing our participation in any exchange of views between Communists and militant progressives of various countries as to the common problems facing mankind in the fight for peace and social progress. The 81 Party gathering was probably the most important of all time. The statement adopted by it declared that it is possible at long last to end the scourge of war in our time - that now war is not inevitable, but can be prevented by the strength, unity, and fighting spirit of the people. All Party members, clubs and leaders should study it thoroughly. In basic essence, the framework around which our 17th Convention built its program, policies and tactical approach was in accord with the main analyses and line of the statement.

The statement stresses that United States imperialism is the main danger of peace. A new statement was necessary because of the general crisis of capitalism. The new stage of the general crisis is particularly evident in our country which shows extreme decay. The statement pointed out that socialism is now indestructible. This is of utmost importance for us because it shows anew, and more clearly than ever, that the socialist system does not need or want wars,

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that it does not need or seek to "export revolution" in order to maintain itself and grow. One may say this is truly the epoch of the rise in dominance and advance of progressive mankind both in thought and action. Let us uncover some of the actual unvarnished truth of the situation in the United States in this new world epoch.

The economy has entered its fourth slump since the end of World War II. Most disturbing of all is the spread of joblessness. Each downturn has left behind it a larger mass of unemployed than before. The signs all point to the conclusion that this fourth postwar recession takes place within a new framework, in which the long range factors of expansion and large scale industrial renewal are running out, first of all in the United States, but also in the rest of the capitalist world. The Wall Street trusts rob not only the American people but those in other countries as well. Their global plunder and kleptomania have brought the wrath of the world's peoples down on our heads. The prestige of the USA as a nation is today at its lowest ebb. Until two years ago Cuba was in the firm grip of the United States monopolies. It is precisely because the Cubans have freed their country from the grip of Wall Street that the tremendous hue and cry and the threat of attack on Cuba are now being generated.

Our task is to reveal that today United States big business is the chief threat of bringing about war. We Communists stand for socialism but have not favored war to achieve it. Everything possible must be done to press the new administration to end the coldwar. The central task of our Party is to be a Party of struggle, of mass struggle, of united front action on the widest possible basis. That is the heart of our vanguard role today. We have always been forefront fighters for the united front. We must re-establish that. To carry on mass work, however, there must be a correct appraisal of the situation.

Factors working against us to be considered are:
1), at this point we are a small Party; 2), we do not

enjoy full legal status. Our members cannot openly work in industry, in professions or in government. Our members cannot openly be members of unions or members of most mass organizations; 3), our country has gone through twenty years of relatively high employment that has left its impact on its people. Most of the trade unions and people's organizations are under conservative and even reactionary leadership and the majority of the workers are still unorganized; 4), there is no independent political party of labor; 5), there is as yet no mass socialist consciousness in the USA. On the other hand there are many positive facets to be considered. American workers are militant. There is a rising negro people's movement. We have in the United States a strong, deep democratic tradition and we now have a united Communist Party. We cannot ignore the virtual illegality of the Party. We must fight for our full legality with far greater energy than we are now expending.

The united front must be a way of life for our Party, for each member and for each club. A good leader, working with the masses, will almost sense when a new level of understanding has been reached and will, therefore, raise the work to that new level and continue from that point. In this context we can work realistically for recruiting into the Party, which is very important, though of course, it is only one feature of Party building. Here I think it necessary to state that it is possible to recruit into the Party at all times and under all conditions. The nature of the recruiting will vary but recruiting into the Party must never be stopped or halted. The problem is not one of sending people into organizations. Many are already there. The central question for us is to help our members, our clubs, our leaders, to carry on political activities where they are, and under the specific conditions that face men, which are often difficult conditions. This is the nub of the problem. While independent action by the Party is essential, the key is in the united front struggle by the building mass ties and united front work, in labor and peoples organizations and in workers neighborhoods.

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On Party building, we must develop, train and draw in younger forces. We have to give central attention to the Party club. We must carry through a concentration policy and we must more effectively streamline the organization so that leadership may better reach and aid the clubs and members. Also of foremost importance is the building of our press. This is a cardinal, number one task. Last week an enlarged secretariat meeting concluded a review on the work of the leadership during the past year. We were very self-critical. Some serious weaknesses were discussed. The Secretariat has set up a task force, a committee to plan for a reorganization of the work of the center to make it more effective both organizationally and politically. We are a small party now but the future is with us. We represent the best national interests of our people - the noble aim of peace.

JAMES E. JACKSON who was first speaker at the afternoon session said the representatives of 36 million Communists, 81 Worker's Parties enacted a program which determines the future of the world for the next decade or more. The authority of the 81 Party Statement rests in the superiority of the socialist system over the forces of social reaction. The historic task of Communists in our day is to prevent unleashing of atomic war and nuclear war is not needed for the success of socialism. Eradication of colonialism and segregation is one more step on the road to socialism. The oppressed class can obtain their objective without bloodshed. Communists offer the people a peaceful life, freedom from want, the full development of man's spiritual life.

HOMER BATES CHASE said 81 Party Statement must be studied in CP clubs and CPUSA must carry out the mandate of this document. The people of the United States must be warned that President KENNEDY will carry on the struggle for imperialists and may carry out program of intervention in Cuba.

Otherspeakers followed including JACK STACHEL, JIM TORMEY, MANNY BLUM, GERALDINE LIGHTFOOT and WILLIAM PATTERSON. All agreed with the report of GUS HALL. Session adjourned at 6:30 p.m. to reconvene 9:30 a.m., 1/21.

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SECOND DAY's SESSION, 1/21/61

On 1/21/61, [] advised that second day's session of meeting of National Committee, CP, USA, commenced at 9:45 AM, 1/21/61. In addition to National Committee members mentioned as in attendance 1/20/61, the following were observed entering Adelphi Hall, NYC, 1/21/61, presumably to NC Meeting: ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, JAMES WEST, MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER and AL RICHMOND.

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ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN was the first speaker and spoke of her attendance at the Rumanian Workers Party Congress held in June, 1960, at which she was a Fraternal Delegate. FLYNN said that between June and November, 1960, she had visited Rumania, Czechoslovakia, Hungary and the German Democratic Republic as well as the Soviet Union. She said she had spoken to the heads of government, CP leaders and educators in these countries and that it was a great experience for her. FLYNN, in discussing the Bucharest Meeting, said there was discussion regarding the Soviet-Chinese positions which she said dealt with the methods used by the Chinese in presenting their critical views on mass organization. FLYNN said that the Chinese comrades are not for war as is falsely portrayed by the capitalist press. She said the Chinese believe that the decision rests not with the socialist camp, but with the imperialists, and therefore, in addition to the fight for peace, preparation must be made for war. She said that the broad peace movement rejects a non-peace movement and insists on a movement that fights against imperialism as well as for the march of national liberation and socialism. FLYNN said that the Chinese view is that in a nuclear war three hundred million people might die, with the same number surviving, but that this would spell the end of capitalism. She said the Chinese are not opposed to disarmament, but feel it is propaganda.

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FLYNN then discussed the activity prior to the November, 1960 conference of the world Communist Parties. She said that the Central Committee of the Soviet Union had proposed a draft statement which supplemented the 1957 declaration and set forth the developments of the following three years. She said this draft was submitted in late September to an editorial commission and became the basis for discussion. The final draft, however, was twice as long as the original and a secretariat was set up to go over the final draft. This session lasted three days and the document was agreed upon, the sections which were not agreed upon were brought before the assembly of the 81 Party Conference which met from November 10, to December 1, 1960. At this conference a thorough discussion of the entire document took place and was accepted by all present with enthusiasm and a common understanding was reached on the issue of peace. FLYNN said that the 81 Party Statement should be thoroughly studied and applied to each country according to its conditions. The basic issues that stood out were the struggle against war, peace, disarmament, peaceful coexistence, national independence and the growing socialist world. She said, however, that the fight for peace is the main task. FLYNN then commented that many people asked if the Chinese comrades adhere to the declaration (referring to the 81 Party Statement). She said all those who came in contact with them were impressed by their concern for the World Communist Movement. The Chinese want unity preserved and no split in the international movement. The Chinese desire full agreement in order not to give ammunition to the imperialist camp. The Chinese pledged to adhere to the declaration and they desire to restore all relations with the Soviet Union to what they were in the past. FLYNN said that it was her personal opinion that the attitude of the Chinese comrades was "We do think it (peaceful coexistence) can be done, but let's go ahead and try." FLYNN said that the feeling of the other

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Communist parties in the world is that the CP, USA is operating in the "Heart of the imperialist stronghold", where the population is subjected to the strong influence of bourgeois ideology. She said that KOSLOV (Ph) at a banquet said that the CP, USA is small, but its leadership is good, perhaps, better than many there. He said the conditions under which the CP, USA work are such that survival and continuance as a party is a tremendous accomplishment. FLYNN concluded her remarks by commenting that peace is paramount in the world and quoted from LENIN to the effect that the development of science will make war an impossibility.

CARL WINTER described GUS HALL's report of yesterday as "Inspiring". He said the task remaining for the party is to make its position understandable to the masses of the American people. The party should concern itself with combating the image of the American Communist as being "Un-American". The party should show the American people that the Communists are championing their cause.

SAM KUSHNER spoke on the unemployment situation and what should be done in the depressed areas. He felt that this was a field of work for the party in which it could build itself. KUSHNER said that the party should make known the intent of the employers to use the House Un-American Activities Committee hearings to destroy labor and this should be combated in every way possible.

LOUIS WEINSTOCK reported on "The Worker", and the Party's plans to reestablish the "Daily Worker". In connection with "The Worker", he said there is approximately 14,500 paid circulation, of which 8500 represents circulation in the US. He said the income approximates \$90,000.00. With expenses of \$175,000.00 and the expected deficit by March, 1961, will be \$85,000.00. WEINSTOCK said that this deficit is to be

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made up by the fund drive of which \$40,000.00 is to come from the NY District. He also commented that plans are made for four affairs in NY to raise funds for "The Worker" during 1961. WEINSTOCK said that the party was remiss in not sufficiently supporting the subscription and fund drives during the past year.

Concerning plans to reestablish the "Daily Worker", WEINSTOCK said that it is tentatively planned to print an eight page paper four days a week costing approximately \$300,000.00 a year. He said the party is selling certificates in amounts of \$50.00 and \$100.00 throughout the US in order to raise funds. The certificates specifically state that the money is to be used exclusively to establish a daily MARXIST newspaper in the US and in the event that such a paper is not established during 1962, the money has to be refunded to the certificate holders. WEINSTOCK said that he would make himself available to travel around the US on this venture if the National Committee should so authorize. He concluded his remarks by stating that plans have been undertaken throughout the Communist world to celebrate the birthday of WILLIAM Z. FOSTER and urged that celebrations of this event should be undertaken in all party districts in the US.

MILDRED McADORY spoke of the need of the party to undertake open mass work in order to reach the masses. She said that the party played an active role during the recent election campaign in Harlem where they sold "The Worker" and distributed literature. McADORY spoke briefly concerning her visit last week with the mother of HENRY WINSTON. She said that WINNIE's mother was at first critical of the party for what she considered the party's lack of concern

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for her son's welfare. McADORY said that she had assured her that the party had been active in WINSTON's behalf and was contemplating further action to gain his release. She said that WINNIE's mother was reassured and McADORY felt that she might undertake "Public things" on behalf of her son. McADORY concluded by urging the party to reintensify the campaign for WINSTON's release and to make efforts to bring this case to the attention of President Kennedy.

SI GERSON said that the party should insist that the full weight of the Executive Branch of the Government should be thrown behind segregation legislation. GERSON was pleased with the report of GUS HALL yesterday and particularly with HALL's statement regarding the United Front. GERSON also spoke with regard to the past elections and remarked that the NEC election statement was absolutely correct. He said that HOMER CHASE's views were stubborn and dogmatic.

AL RICHMOND stated that the 81 party Statement had been discussed in the Northern California District. He said that the statement was regarded as a resolution of struggle that has been going on for many years. The feeling was that the statement had meaning for our party and presents a new challenge in handling the problems that confront the American people. RICHMOND remarked that the party did not agree on an election policy and this created problems. He urged that in the future, the party resolve to have one line, one direction, not only in terms of a statement, but in actual practice. Meeting recessed for lunch at 1:03 PM.

JAKE GREEN was the first speaker of the afternoon session and remarked that FLYNN's report

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on the 81 Party Statement gave him a "New feeling" and this statement will have "World-wide significance". He urged the members of the party to get out and do the job that needs to be done in Negro communities and stated that masses of the Negro people will eventually see the role of the party. GREEN also expressed confidence that many people who left the party will see the light and come back. He also recommended that some type of pressure be put on the new administration to make them fulfill the promises made during the campaign. He concluded by stating that the party will move the masses and hoped the party will have the confidence it once had.

BURT NELSON expressed feeling that more clarity in the party's election statement would have been of help. He remarked that the goal of the party is in sight and described this goal as the unity of all those who are suffering under monopoly capitalism. NELSON remarked that he planned to have more discussion on the 81 Party Statement and will have mass distribution of material on it. He said he was looking forward to FLYNN's trip to the West Coast in March. HELEN WINTER commented on her recent trip to the Soviet Union and said that the leaders of the socialist countries take nothing for granted on the topic of peace and it is constantly discussed in one way or the other. WINTER said that the best method of advocating peace is by utilizing slogans which is done successfully in the socialist world and believes that the US Government and the CP, USA must realize the need for advocating peace. The party as yet does not understand the necessity for impressing upon the people the desire for peace. WINTER praised the progress made by the Soviet Union during the past 15 years. As an example, they are building goods and machines not only for their own use, but also for the underdeveloped countries.

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WINTER spoke on the question of United Front activity emphasizing the need of the party to work with the rank and file rather than trying to lead in every instance. The United Front must have purpose and direction in order to properly guide the masses. She referred to the "Fair Play for Cuba Committee" saying it was doing an excellent job in apprising the North American people as to what is actually taking place in Cuba, but unfortunately there are many Trotskyites who make up the committee.

DANNY RUBIN spoke on youth activity and said the main issues wherein youth were active were the sit-in demonstrations and in activities supporting the Cuban people to determine their own course. He said in terms of a United Front for Youth, there was a need for a greater contribution by developing a highly conscious MARXIST thinking. RUBIN said that funds are an important aspect in youth work and estimated that youth work for one year costs in the neighborhood of \$25,000.00, adding that the party organization has to try to shoulder that burden.

DANNY (QUEEN) said that the Youth Movement is flexible due to constant changes and as a result, must be continuously reexamined. The party has to consider how to sustain and continue activities in youth work. He said it is not a movement involving large masses of youth, but it is a militant group mainly of a liberal core. He said the youth organization should also look toward broader areas beyond its own organization such as various community organizations.

PAUL ROBESON, JR. stated that the 81 Party Statement is a call to intensify the struggle for the defeat of colonialism and imperialism. He said the emphasis of the statement on the role of the

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world struggle for colonial liberation had an impact on the people of the world. The document presented an insight of democratic centralism in the entire World Communist Movement and it would be well to learn from this the methods of resolving inner party differences in a democratic way and to develop the ability of discussing contradictions, problems and alternatives.

BETTY GANNETT said CP must apply the 81 Party Statement to its own situation. CP has a big ideological job on its hands to get the membership to understand the CP line. BEN DAVIS stated whatever differences CP has internally, it must subordinate them to carry on party work.

MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER said 81 Party Statement shows American people ready for a new bill of rights.

PHIL BART then spoke on party unity. The right danger is the most serious danger followed by leftism and lastly revisionism. It is essential that party line be directed to combat these dangers to unity. The unity of the party has been challenged on many occasions. The latest example being the case of ALEXANDER BITTELMAN. BITTELMAN opposed CP policy and the CP itself as now constituted. BART enumerated instances of opposition to CP policy some of which were: demand of the CP, USA to publish his book even though book contained anti-party statements: demanded the right to travel to various CP Districts to expound his views. As a result, BITTELMAN was expelled. BART said BITTELMAN is an example of right revisionism and HOMER BATES CHASE is an example of left revisionism. CHASE refused to accept decision of National Committee and differed with them on almost every question. He has opposed the CP Electoral Statement and has expressed dissatisfaction with the way the National Executive Committee was elected at the last convention and has branded CP leadership as

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being revisionist. The issue is not merely a difference of opinion, but factionalism on the part of CHASE. BART described action taken by the national leadership in sending DAVIS and HYMAN LUMER to New England in an attempt to have CHASE repudiate his position. BART concluded on the CHASE and BITTELMAN issue by proposing two motions. One, the National Committee endorse action of the Westchester Club in expelling ALEXANDER BITTELMAN. Two, remove HOMER BATES CHASE from the National Committee and CHASE be informed by the committee to abandon his present inadmissible approaches. Take such steps with National Committee cooperation to begin to work as a member of CP and within six months the Secretariat review his work and take into consideration any further steps or any other assignment in connection with CHASE.

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JACK STACHEL amended motion/BITTELMAN to include endorsement of the Westchester Club's action for expulsion by the National Executive Committee.

Several speakers including HALL, POTASH and LIGHTFOOT, commented on justification of expulsion of BITTELMAN, but questioned the procedure followed by the Westchester Club.

Motion #1 carried unanimously for the expulsion of BITTELMAN.

Concerning the motion on CHASE, the floor was opened for discussion and the motion was seconded by WILLIAM PATTERSON. He related the details of a meeting of a special subcommittee held on 1/20/61. That committee met with CHASE and asked whether he had any self-criticism. CHASE said he had no self-criticism and on that basis the committee recommends expulsion of CHASE from the National Committee.

MORRIS CHILDS asked for a substitute motion that CHASE give to the CP a letter of self-criticism

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and upon review of this, the CP will take into consideration a review of his future activity in the party.

CHASE, in his own defense, stated a review commission should have been set up a long time ago. Noting CP actually has a national leadership reviewing its own work. He noted a complacency in the party and stated it is not always as effective as it might be as GUS HALL has stated in his report. CHASE said he has a right and a duty to present opposition to the National Office. He said the direction of the national CP line is not going in an anti-imperialist direction. CHASE said he will accept the decision of the National Committee as he has always accepted in the past. He said the CP will not resolve the contradictions that exist in its program or HALL's report by this type of action. This action, in the long run, will not strengthen the party and will not resolve the problem. In conclusion, CHASE said he was sorry he had not been able to contribute more to the National Committee. He said he had worked hard and had always been honest with that body.

The chairman then announced no vote would be taken at that time on the CHASE expulsion motion. The vote will be the first item on the agenda for the 1/22/61 meeting of the National Committee. Meeting adjourned 6:25 PM.

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THIRD DAY'S SESSION, 1/22/61

On 1/22/61, [] advised that third day's session of meeting of National Committee, CP, USA, commenced at 9:44 AM, this date. It is noted that although the first item scheduled on the agenda was to be the vote regarding expulsion of HOMER CHASE, no action was taken by the National Committee on this matter, initially. No explanation of the omission was made.

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BEN DOBBS, of Southern California, was the first speaker, indicating that they must continue the struggle to increase the party's connections with mass groups. He said they should build among the independent movements which are based on the struggle for civil rights, anti-monopoly coalition and economic issues. He commented that the biggest single fact coming out of the November election was the mass unity of the Negro people.

TOMMY DENNIS, of Detroit, attempted to set forth reasons why there exists a great difference of opinion in the party on their electoral policy. He said that the CP must work with all forces that are moving. DENNIS, in speaking of the 81 Party Statement, said that it must be translated into terms the American people will understand. He said they must realize in preparing articles and other material that they are writing for the American people as a whole and not just for the members of the National Committee. He said he would propose that all "left presses" undertake to participate in a program of discussion on how to print material the people will really read and understand.

ARNOLD JOHNSON, of NY, then spoke on the peace issue. He indicated that significant signs

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appeared in KENNEDY's Inaugural Address, signs which were much more apparent than those contained in the Democratic Platform.

FRED BLAIR, of Milwaukee, then spoke on the situation that has existed in the Wisconsin CP. He indicated that the CP of Wisconsin has gained three members in the last two years. He indicated he wanted to stress, however, that he felt the party was now on the move and has taken an active part in mass groups outside the party. He cited an organization which he said consisted of some seventy people which was formed to endorse an editorial of the Milwaukee Journal on the Laos situation as one in which party people participated.

SAM DAVIS, of Minneapolis, then spoke on pre-election activity in Minnesota during which time he said efforts were made to persuade Senator HUBERT HUMPHREY to clarify his position on certain issues, particularly the Landrum-Griffin Act and other issues affecting labor. DAVIS said that HUMPHREY refused to repudiate the Landrum-Griffin Act and thus lost the primaries.

MICKIE LIMA, of San Francisco, then spoke of the 81 Party Conference held in Russia, November, 1960. He said that it was made clear at this conference that the International Communist Movement is united on its main tasks. The conference reaffirmed that revisionism remains main danger of the International Communist Movement. LIMA endorsed GUS HALL's report.

MORRIS CHILDS, of Chicago, said he wanted to associate himself with the reports of HALL, JAMES JACKSON and ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN. He stated that although the CP, USA did not formally participate in the 81 Party Conference in Moscow, it nevertheless had influenced decisions made at the conference.

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CHILDS said HALL's report reflected the spirit of the conference; said US Party is too timid in activities to influence the masses; with respect to Cuba, he urged educational campaign by CP, USA to show the people of the US the identity of their interests with those of the people of Cuba.

IRVING POTASH, of NY, then proposed that first and foremost, the CP, USA, must see that the problems of the Trade Union Movement are on the agenda of every club in the party. He said that every club whether industrial or community, must figure out how the CP can influence the successful outcome of a strike. POTASH said the CP was able to do this in the thirties and that even labor leaders WILLIAM GREEN and JOHN LEWIS had to recognize that Communist were "the salt of the earth".

JESUS COLON, of NY, then stated he was holding discussions in his club on the 81 Party Resolution.

An unmale, identified with Jewish activity, then mentioned the importance of cultural work of the party. In this connection he stated that anti-semitism continues to be an international problem. He said that until the "Daily Worker" is reestablished, the daily progressive press that they have now must be fully utilized in acquainting all with the problems in the Jewish field.

An unmale, from Chicago, (probably SAM KUSHNER or JAMES WEST), stated that there must be an examination of the party's registration. He said they must face the fact that the party is facing liquidation, particularly in the basic industries.

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He said radical steps must be taken in the party to have realistic and effective leadership with regard to mass work. In this regard, he said the Illinois Party published a pamphlet on taxes called "People Must Come First", which he stated was very effective. He said the party should urge that the burden of welfare work be taken from the states and cities and vested in the Federal Government.

HERB KRANSDORF, of Pittsburgh, then discussed the economic and unemployment situation in the Pittsburgh area. In addition, he mentioned that a new "Red Circus" has taken place in that city. In this connection, he cited the removal of a professor at the University of Pittsburgh for signing a petition put out by the "committee for fair play" in Cuba. As a result of this incident, the Pennsylvania Legislature and various veterans groups have called for an investigation of the employment of Communists or pro-Communists at the University. KRANSDORF stated this is another attempt to prevent freedom of speech.

WILLIAM WEINSTONE criticized the neglect of the works of EUGENE DEBS, JOHN REED and others. He pointed out there was a new 800 page text book, "Foundations of Leninism", the use of which would strengthen the knowledge and theory of members. The American Party, according to WEINSTONE, was very weak in the teaching of dialectics which constitutes a large portion of this book. He said he recognized the fact that dialectics are the foundation of MARXISM. He feels the members' shortcomings in this regard has created an inability to come to grips with reality.

An unmaile reviewed action taken by New England District Committee in removing CHASE from district leadership. He urged that no fast action

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be taken by the National Committee as all factional groupings have been removed.

JAMES JACKSON then stated that he agreed with CHASE's remarks the previous day to the effect that the review commission should be reactivated. JACKSON said it is becoming apparent that they cannot continue the process of degradation of leadership, that the party must have leadership endowed with all the requisites for functioning.

The following motion made and carried: that HOMER CHASE be removed from National Committee; that he be informed by this body to abandon his recent "impermissible activities"; that within six months he present letter of self-criticism to Secretariat, who in connection with the district, will work out a review of his work and activities and take whatever steps necessary. The presence of HOMER CHASE at this session of the National Committee meeting was not established by the informant or by fisur.

Session reconvened 2:02 PM. LOUIS WEINSTOCK designated chairman.

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT reported on work of the Negro Commission and noted next issue of "political affairs" will have an article on the meeting of that commission, at Philadelphia. He said that conferences on Negro work are to start no later than March 15, and are to be held in all the districts.

PAUL ROBESON, JR., GUS HALL, TOM NABRIED, BEN DAVIS, CHARLENE MITCHELL, ESTHER CONTOR, TED BASSETT, GERALDYNE LIGHTFOOT and MILDRED McADORY participated in the discussion of the Negro resolution. Each speaker had certain suggested revisions of various

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portions of this document. ESTHER CONTOR particularly criticized the resolution because it did not include a program of immediate action with respect to job discrimination against the Negro people. GERALDYNE LIGHTFOOT noted the need for a program of activities to be formulated by the party in celebration of Negro History Week.

BEN DAVIS said Secretary of Civil Rights is needed in the Presidential Cabinet to bring an immediate end to JIM CROW in the US. BEN DAVIS then read a resolution that a Constitution Committee be set up with responsibility to come up with proposals which can be acted upon at the next National Convention. This resolution was passed.

GUS HALL, on behalf of the National Committee, proposed WILLIAM WEINSTONE as a new member of that body. This resolution was passed.

An unfemale proposed the establishment of a Women's Commission. After some discussion, this proposal was adopted.

Two motions were then discussed, put to vote and passed. One, the Secretariat will deal with the question of quotas for "The Worker", two, the question of reestablishment of the "Daily Worker" will be handled by a local committee.

GUS HALL then summarized, mentioning various publications of the party and said that these can be used to tremendous advantage by the party. He stressed the need for unity in the party behind its leadership. He stated the leaders will be required to devote their individual attention to the party. He said the party is in a position to do many things behind a united party and a united leadership. He stressed that National Committee members should

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analyze events in their districts prior to requesting assistance from the National Office. The party as of now will hold each member accountable for his own actions and will demand self-criticism from its members. He said they will no longer permit opposing statements to be disregarded or "swept under the rug". HALL touched on the party's electoral statement and suggested that National Committee members might reread it and thus realize the party's view was correct from the beginning. He said there is a belief in the party that the party is unable to get the support of labor because it has failed to endorse the formation of a labor party. HALL said the party's refusal is based on the fact that the two major parties have not reached a certain point in policy whereby a new party should be realistically formed. Upon establishment of a labor party, the Communist Party will then take action. However, at the present time, the party must continue to propagandize for the need of a new party. HALL said it is unwise to have CP candidates now considering the possible injury of persons who sign Communist Party nominating petitions.

HALL then spoke on youth noting there is an upsurge of Marxist Socialist Clubs that cannot be ignored. He was generally in agreement with the youth concept that emerged at the Chicago Conference. HALL said that the Youth Movement will grow spontaneously on different levels. HALL commented on the 81 Party Statement, stating that this statement did not compromise any of their basic concepts in the fight against imperialism. He then stated that the party's strategic concept was the anti-monopoly coalition.

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A motion was made and carried that the main report and the summary be accepted.

JACKSON presented a resolution adopting the 81 Party Statement as essential to every CP. This was passed. Meeting ajourned 4:50 PM.

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- (1) HERBERT APTHEKER, teacher
- (2) CHARLES ROSEN
- (3) HENRY REININGER

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1 - New York (100-80532) (HERBERT APTHEKER) (422)
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1 - New York (100-5106) [REDACTED] (414)
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Description of info

Membership meeting of
Amalgamated CP club,
Room 10E, Adelphi Hall,
NYC

Date of Activity

1/9/61

Date Received

1/9/61

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On 1/9/61, [] made available information that reflects that the Amalgamated Club of the New York Industrial CP held a meeting under the name of "Amalgamated Press" in Room 10E, Adelphi Hall, 74 Fifth Avenue, NYC, on that same date. The meeting started at 6:25 p.m. and ended at 8 p.m.

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The informant furnished information that CARL was nominated as Chairman of the meeting and CARL announced that the agenda would include a discussion on "The Worker" fund drive, reports from various committees and a report on the Moscow Conference.

CARL then asked if the Financial Secretary wished to give a report and BEN PALAZZOLA proceeded to give a short financial report in which he stated that the registration of members was proceeding satisfactorily; that the finances were better now than they were in 1959 at this stage and "We have enough money to pay our rent through April." PALAZZOLA stated that "We pledged a minimum of \$100.00 for the special emergency fund for 'The Worker' and we were supposed to pay it before Christmas. We haven't paid it as yet and I have received so far \$63.00." PALAZZOLA said that he hoped that he could close out the fund drive at the meeting and before the end of the meeting he would have the minimum \$100.00.

Before the end of the meeting, PALAZZOLA announced that he had collected a total sum for "The Worker" of \$104.00 and that he would give an extra \$5.00 himself which would make "The Worker" total \$109.00.

Then BILL KAUFMAN explained that, "The original proposal, for "The Worker" fund drive, was that every comrade should give at least \$5.00 to the emergency fund for 'The Worker' and in addition to that we raised over \$100.00 in the affair we had for BENNY ANAPOL, so really our contribution to the emergency fund amounts to well over \$200.00."

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Then Chairman CARL called on "Sister BECKIE" to give a report on a conference that she had attended on the previous Saturday. BECKIE stated that she had attended a CP Conference on Saturday, 1/7/61, that started at 10 a.m. and which ended at 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, 1/8/61. BECKIE stated that at this conference, ESTHER CANTOR, the Legislative Director of the State Committee of the Party, was present and that she gave an analysis of the legislative program being formulated in Albany, N.Y.

BECKIE stated that at this conference there was a "brilliant analysis" by PAUL ROBESON, JR. as far as the composition of the cabinet appointed by President-Elect KENNEDY was concerned. BECKIE stated that the way that ROBESON saw it was that the appointed Secretary of State and a good many others of the cabinet were not up to the expectations of labor people; that KENNEDY was expected to be Roosevelt-type executive and that he would reserve the making of policy for himself alone; that KENNEDY's appointment of the Secretary of State and some others was not what was hoped; that STEVENSON in the U.N. will have to carry out the policies of DEAN RUSK, "who is a ROCKEFELLER foundation man."

BECKIE continued that at the Saturday conference there was a discussion on the Negro problems and on the civil rights problems and that there was a long discussion concerning the reorganization of the Industrial Division but that this reorganization will have to be discussed at County CP meetings to affect more direct contact with various club organizations. BECKIE reported that community CP clubs must be mobilized and reorganized because at the present time there is much misunderstanding between the workers and the unions. BECKIE stated that it was proposed that only a few comrades should work with respect to community organizations and with the Industrial Division at the same time so as to be more effective.

BECKIE further stated that CLARENCE HATHAWAY gave an inspiring report as to the organization of the New York State CP. BECKIE proposed that a member of the New York State

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CP be invited to a future meeting of the Amalgamated to give a report on the reorganization problem.

Then Chairman CARL stated that he wanted to praise a fellow comrade "JACK TUCHIN, who was operated on not long ago, who was very sick and who is one of our most courageous and most devoted comrades for being present at the meeting and for making this effort to spite his age and his recent illness. Several others joined with the Chairman in the praising of TUCHIN for his attendance at the meeting. CARL stated concerning TUCHIN, I was with him some time ago for a couple of years in one club. He responded to everything, was always an active member and never evaded any responsibility."

Chairman CARL then stated that he wanted to bring greetings to the comrades present from "a very devoted Comrade MORRIE SCHNEIDERMAN." CARL went on to state that SCHNEIDERMAN was then in New York Hospital as he had had a very serious operation for a tumor on his lung on 1/7/61 and that the operation was a kind of a miracle the he should survive." CARL explained that SCHNEIDERMAN had been on the operating table for five hours, that the operation had started at 12:30 in the afternoon and that he was taken out of the Recovery Room at 12 mid night. CARL went on to state that SCHNEIDERMAN had needed 12 pints of blood and that "Comrade SOL PASSIKOFF was going to give blood the next day, 1/10/61, at the hospital for SCHNEIDERMAN.

✓ Then HELEN gave a short report of a special regional meeting that she had attended on Thursday, 1/5/61. HELEN reported that at the regional meeting it was stated that there would be a testimonial affair for MORTON SOBELL under the auspices of the Garment Labor Committee on Civil Rights on 1/28/61, at 8:30 p.m. at 37 East Fourth Street, NYC, between Third and Fourth Avenues. HELEN then announced that registration is now open for the winter term of the Marxist School, the Director of which is Dr. HERBERT APTEKER and HELEN stated that "all of us should try to cover some subject in the Marxist School. HELEN announced also that the publication Political

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Affairs" would be coming out once again soon and she also reported that ESTHER CANTOR had been present at the regional meeting and that she wished to tell BECKIE that ESTHER had told her that BECKIE is on the Special Committee for Reorganization and this committee is going to meet on Monday the 17th, "you and ESTHER and somebody" at 6 p.m.

HELEN then announced that on 1/11/61, at 8 p.m. GUS HALL would be interviewed on Channel 13 by MIKE WALLACE, and that all comrades should make it a point to listen to this program for HALL's appearance.

HELEN finally reported that all clubs and CP organizations should obtain the January, 1961, magazine "Political Affairs" to read what is there concerning the Moscow Conference so as to have full club and organization discussions on the Moscow Conference. HELEN remarked that the results of the Moscow Conference should be thoroughly discussed and stated that the National Committee of the Party is going to prepare an outline for all the groups. HELEN stated, These discussions should not be on theory alone, although the theory is important, but also on the application for ourselves for only then will we in America feel that we are making our contribution. For as you know, America was named as the number one aggressive country in the world by the 81 Communist Parties represented at the Moscow Conference.

Then the Chairman commented that all the plans and arrangements for the March 18 testimonial affair for Comrade ALEX ZAROFF had been completed and all that remained to be done was to publicize the affair in the "Morning Freiheit" with ZAROFF's picture and to get some publicity in "The Worker" concerning the affair and to sell tickets.

Chairman CARL stated that in the past for these affairs, MORRIS SCHNEIDERMAN had usually been the secretary and that he, CARL, was usually the chairman but that this year because of SCHNEIDERMAN's illness, the positions were reversed and SCHNEIDERMAN was to be president of the ZAROFF

affair and that he, CARL, would be the secretary so as to maintain continuity in correspondence for the affair. In speaking of ZAROFF, the Chairman stated, "Here is one that really deserves a testimonial for by his actions, by his words, and by his devotion and loyalty in every way he proved that he deserves to be honored."

CARL stated that if anyone would want to contribute some money to the 'Morning Freiheit' he would quietly accept any contributions and turn the money into the 'Morning Freiheit' in the comrades' names. Then CARL turned the meeting over to BILL KAUFMAN, who spoke for about 20 minutes giving his comments on the Moscow Conference, which, according to KAUFMAN, were largely a result of reading the New York Times."

Immediately after KAUFMAN's remarks the meeting was adjourned with the statement that another meeting would be held on Monday, 1/16/61.

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On 1/9/61, SAs JOHN B. COULTON and EDWARD J. MULHOLLAND used Room 10G, Adelphi Hall, NYC, to observe and photograph all persons entering Room 10E, Adelphi Hall, NYC, for the Amalgamated Club CP meeting. The following persons were observed to enter Room 10E on 1/9/61, and were photographed:

1. BESSIE SIEGAL	5:56 p.m.	SA MULHOLLAND
2. ALEX ZAROFF	6:00 p.m.	SA COULTON
3. BEN PALAZZOLA	6:04 p.m.	"
4. ABE KOLB	6:08 p.m.	"
5. ANNA FLORANT	6:08 p.m.	"
6. ABE FRIEDMAN	6:08 p.m.	"
7. CARLINU (WASSERMAN)	6:11 p.m.	"
8. SWANSON ISAACS	6:11 p.m.	"
9. BILL KAUFMAN	6:11 p.m.	"

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10. ABE KIEL	6:16 p.m.	SA CCULTON
11. HELEN EPSTEIN	6:31 p.m.	SA MULHOLLAND
12. BECKIE FRIEDMAN	6:34 p.m.	"
13. GUSSIE WIENRIE	6:34 p.m.	"
14. JACK TUCHIN	6:40 p.m.	SA COULTON

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-142782)(41)

DATE: 2/10/61

FROM : SA EVERETT E. DEANE

SUBJECT: NEW YORK SCHOOL OF MARXIST STUDIES

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[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, made available to the New York Office information concerning the above captioned subject, obtained from the building located at 23 West 26th Street, New York City. Since 4/15/57, this building has been occupied by the New York State and National Offices of the Communist Party, USA. The CP, USA has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450. Since June, 1958, space in this building has been occupied by Publishers New Press, Inc., publisher of "The Worker", East Coast Communist weekly newspaper.

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Strict care must be exercised so that the existence of this important source of information will not become known to any outside agency. It is also to be noted that because of the nature of this source of information it will be impossible to re-contact the source regarding information furnished.

Information received on 1/23/61 by _____

SA EVERETT E. DEANE & SA FRANCIS W. MILLER

The following disposition is being made of the original exhibit:

- (X) Place in NY file # 100-142782 Serial _____
Exhibit _____
- () Forwarded for your information and appropriate action.
- () No copy of the exhibit or this letter is being retained by the NYO.

Description of exhibit: Leaflet concerning "Provisional Committee for a New York School for Marxist Studies".

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100-80789 (W. S. DUKES) (422)
100-80532 (FRANCIS A. APOLAKER) (415)
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SAC, DETROIT (100-13740)

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HELEN WINTER
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(OO: Detroit)

[redacted] has reported that on 2/1/61, HELEN WINTER informed HERBERT APTHAKER that she had just arrived in New York. She asked if he had any photographs useful for newspaper publicity and he said he did not. She then noted that an appearance of ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN in Detroit had to be postponed until 2/18/61, on account of the EUGENE DENNIS obsequies. APTHAKER noted that he was scheduled for Chicago on 2/18/61, but for Detroit on 2/17/61, and at Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, on 2/19/61.

WINTER explained that the activity on 2/1/61, is to be a forum in the evening with the title "The Rising Tide of Racial Equality." It is intended to try to include some of the Colonial struggles, but gear it mainly to the Negro History Week observance in the U.S. She said circulars had been prepared and put out, publicity and a hotel room secured, all with hope of having over 100 people. A regular series of forums have been set up, including others besides the CP, that being her reason for saying they cannot always control their chairman. WINTER said the Chairman is CARL HESSLER, [redacted] place not stated, and he is listed in the phone book. He has invited APTHAKER to stay at his place.

APTHAKER said he thought he would be staying the night of the 16th with the "kids" at Antioch, and they would get him to Dayton as he was being met there. WINTER said she would get him travel information for his trip out of Dayton by bus, train or plane. APTHAKER asked if the Detroit bookstore has the JOHN BROWN pamphlet, "The Labor Movement in the South during Slavery," Negro History, Its Lessons for Today," and "Toward Negro Freedom." WINTER said she would check.

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 (1-100-) (CARL HESSLER)
 2-Chicago (RM)
 (1-100-) (HERBERT APTHAKER)
 2-Cincinnati (RM)
 (1-100-) (HERBERT APTHAKER)
 1-New York (100-80532) (HERBERT APTHAKER) (415)
 1-New York (100-1595) (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN) (415)
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SAC, NEW YORK (100-94653)

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SA WILLIAM A. FLYNN, JR.

VICTOR PERLO
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[REDACTED] of the NY School
for Marxist Studies VICTOR PERLO
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[redacted]
[redacted] The New York School For Marxist Studies [redacted]
VICTOR PERLO [redacted]

[redacted] told VICTOR PERLO that he did not know that he had taken a trip to the other side and must have found it very interesting. VICTOR PERLO said it was but he had some difficulty getting a passport.

VICTOR PERLO said the Russians were very much irritated over the U-2 Incident and were very much excited; said that the people there were contented to a degree although not completely satisfied with what they had materially, although there was a spirit of working together; that the older people were not satisfied with the system because of religion and superstition but the younger people were very happy; said he had stopped in several countries and liked Prague, where he met a new correspondent from "The Guardian"; said that he stopped in Paris for four days on the way back; told [redacted] that he had taken quite a few pictures (color slides) and would be glad to show the slides [redacted]

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VICTOR PERLO was very cordial in his discussion and said that he had planned [redacted]

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VICTOR PERLO said that he had [redacted]

VICTOR PERLO mentioned that [redacted]

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✓ [redacted] VICTOR PERLO [redacted]
[redacted] a "Spotlight Publication" that was circulated at a Sane meeting during a discussion on an attack on a Scarsdale paper and saw that VICTOR PERLO had made the print. VICTOR PERLO said that he had heard about it but did not see it; that his children were shown the publications by a couple of students at their school. [redacted] told him that it had something to do with his book on American Imperialism and VICTOR PERLO said that it must have pertained to a Hearing that happened several years ago and mentioned ELIZABETH BENTLY.

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VICTOR PERLO mentioned that he had been to Detroit (McGregor Auditorium-may have been Public School) and that he had spoken at a Forum there and several other people from the school, including HERBERT APTHEKER, were scheduled to go but some Hungarian Refugee outfit had given them a hard time and this matter as to whether the public-owned auditorium can still be used by them is questionable. VICTOR PERLO mentioned that the Civil Liberties Committee and some automobile union workers were supporting their stand.

VICTOR PERLO mentioned that he had recently written some material favoring The First National City Bank as being a bank who is not supporting the cold war; that he has made an evaluation of articles and they seem to be for reduction in defense spending and their policy is much better than Chase and Morgan Guaranty.

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[redacted] and said that he was doing a lot to better the cultural relations between the Soviet Union and the United States; that [redacted]

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VICTOR PERLO asked [redacted] if he found that there was much playing of favoritism [redacted] told him he didn't know as he was not that close to the picture. VICTOR PERLO asked [redacted] if he would like to [redacted]

[redacted] No reply was made. VICTOR PERLO said that [redacted]

[redacted] and would talk to him. [redacted]

[redacted] said that would be okay but not to mention any names.

VICTOR PERLO mentioned that he was active in the Chess Club in Yorktown Library and had many nice people, that the people were non-political in chess playing and, as a matter of fact, one of the members was a State Trooper (or may have been a Westchester County Police).

VICTOR PERLO said he would like to do something about the attack by the American Legion but would not know how, as it would involve legal fees and he does not have that kind of money. VICTOR PERLO spoke of some difficulties with the American Legion in Croton involving Dr. FONER; that a meeting was held whereas it was decided that the JCC's would go through with the planned

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meeting in spite of opposition by the American Legion; that there were lawyers who contacted some old-time Republicans who are not like the Republicans they have today and that the meeting brought forth 125 people.

VICTOR PERLO asked [REDACTED]

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VICTOR PERLO was asked how many books he had written and replied somewhere around eight or nine and during the discussion mentioned that he and KARL MARZANI both wrote the book, "Dollars And Cents".

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

DATE: FEB. 13 1961

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532)
FROM : SA F.J. MC LAUGHLIN, Jr.
SUBJECT: HERB APTHEKER
SM-C

On 1/22/61, CG 5824-S* advised SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON that a meeting of the National Committee of the CPUSA was held at Adelphi Hall, 74 5th Ave., NYC, on 1/20, 21, 22/61.

Adelphi Hall consists of the 8th floor through the 11th floor of the building located at 74 5th Ave., NYC. The first eight floors are occupied by other business establishments.

The above captioned individuals were observed at the building 74 5th Ave., NYC, as indicated below.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ENTERED</u>	<u>DEPARTED</u>	<u>OBSERVED BY SAS</u>
1 / 20 / 61	X		WILLIAM J. BARRON
1 / 21 / 61	X		WILLIAM J. BARRON
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The original log is located in NY file 100-4931-Sub O.

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SAC, CHICAGO (100-25191)

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SA CHARLES H. FOLEY, JR.

FREEDOM OF THE PRESS COMMITTEE
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On 1/30/61, [redacted] Panel Source (protect identity), made available to the writer a leaflet obtained by him at a meeting on 1/27/61 under the auspices of the Freedom of the Press Committee at 32 West Randolph Street, Chicago, celebrating the 70th birthday of ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, the 80th birthday of WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, and the 37th anniversary of "The Worker". This leaflet reflects a meeting under the auspices of the Freedom of the Press Committee to be held on Sunday, 2/19/61 at Chicago featuring Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER as the speaker on "A Marxist View of the Civil War Centennial".

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This leaflet is retained in 100-25191-1A173.

Recommendation None

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (100-25191)

DATE: 2-15-61

FROM : SA H. SIDNEY NEEL, JR.

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE FOR FREEDOM
OF THE PRESS, aka.
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On 2/3/61, [] who has furnished reliable information in the past, personally provided SA NEEL with oral information pertaining to the Freedom of the Press Committee Affair featuring ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN.

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The above information was reduced to writing by SA NEEL and authenticated by the informant on 2/3/61.

The original information is being maintained in Chicago file number []

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1 - 100-17088 (S. KUSHNER)

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On Friday evening, January 27, 1961, the Freedom of the Press Committee held a rally at 32 West Randolph to celebrate the 37th anniversary of "The Worker" and the 70th birthday of ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN. Admission was \$1.00.

Speakers stand included CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, Chairman, CP of Illinois, and SAM KUSHNER, editor of Midwest edition of "The Worker".

Those in attendance included:

FLO HALL
OTTO WANGERIN
FRITZI ENGELSTEIN
MOLLY GOLD
JIM WEST
CONNIE NEUHAUS
AL KIMMEL
SYLVIA KUSHNER
AL and SHIRLEY RUDER
OLIVER MOORE
GERALDYNE LIGHTFOOT
BILL TERNIPSEDE
JEAN REX
BEN FRIEDLANDER
SUE VAN HOUW
GRACE SARNIAK
DOROTHY DAVIES
ESTHER WICKSTROM
WILFRED WILLE.

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT was the Master of Ceremonies and introduced SAM KUSHNER, who spoke of the unemployment in Illinois, stating that 21 counties have been named as disaster areas, that the Negro workers have been hard hit, much due to the moving of the packing companies.

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CLAUDE gave a short talk regarding state, national, and international conditions and expressed a hope that the new administration will effect changes. He lightly touched on Africa and Cuba. He said "The Worker" goal for Illinois is 250 subscriptions. He appealed to the audience for subs and a collection was taken from the audience for "The Worker".

A drawing was held for the \$5.00 raffle and the winner was not there for the \$100.00 He was from some union, did not catch his name.

CLAUDE introduced GURLEY FLYNN as a writer for "The Worker" and comrade of long standing. She spoke on the countries she visited for eight months, including the U.S.S.R., Hungary, Rumania, Czechoslovakia. She spoke highly and praised the governments of these countries, hated to come home and hopes to return. She spoke of going to clinics in Russia and Rumania. Her speech was well received by the audience.

She spoke of the factories in Hungary and Rumania being located far from the residential areas. She said the streets in Hungary had been changed back from Russian names to Hungarian names except the street named for the ROSENBERGS.

She said she hopes to return to Chicago and give more talks.

✓ CLAUDE announced HERBERT APTHEKER will speak at the Fine Arts Building on 2/19/61. This concluded the affair.

AL KIMMEL stated that he is changing jobs and that his wife, ALICE, is working at a real estate office on East 55th Street.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-427536)

DATE: 2/15/61

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-133844)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY
NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS
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Re Bureau letters dated 2/6/59, 7/2/59,
12/30/59.

Set forth is a composite intelligence summary concerning members of the National Committee, CP, USA (NC) prepared in accordance with instructions contained in relets.

Part I contains a listing of NC members in alphabetical order together with information as to (1) factional adherence, (2) district or section which the member represents, (3) ideological and/or organization interests and (4) special interest in any phase of Party work.

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1-Cleveland (100-23485) (RM)
1-Chicago (100-34488) (RM)
1-Detroit (100-26543) (RM)
1-Indianapolis (100-11754) (RM)
1-Los Angeles (100-55880) (RM)
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1-Milwaukee (100-13213) (RM)
1-Newark (100-43383) (RM)
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1-New York (100-32826) [REDACTED] (415)
1-New York (100-56579) [REDACTED]
1-New York (100-25623) [REDACTED]
1-New York (101-559) [REDACTED] (415)
1-New York (101-106126) [REDACTED] (42)
1-New York (101-23825) BENJAMIN J. DAVIS (415)
1-New York (101-8057) EUGENE DENNIS (415)
1-New York (100-1696) ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN (415)
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1-New York (100-84994) GUS HALL (415)
1-New York (100-5106) [REDACTED] (414)
1-New York (100-16785) [REDACTED] (415)
1-New York (100-16021) ARNOLD JOHNSON (415)
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1-New York (100-84275) [REDACTED]
1-New York (100-48033) IRVING POTASH (415)
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1-New York (100-64074) [REDACTED]
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1-New York (100-26018) LOUIS WEINSTOCK (415)
1-New York (100-9595) WILLIAM WEINSTONE (415)
1-New York (100-128255) MORTIMER DANIEL RUBIN (415)

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Part II briefly outlines factional struggles and/or indications of factionalism in the various CP districts which either directly or indirectly involve the NC member(s) in the district.

Part III is a miscellaneous listing of certain background habits, health, and personal factors which might possibly be considered in counterintelligence matters.

It should be noted that portions of the information set forth below have been furnished by highly placed informants and caution should be exercised in the dissemination of any of this material to insure the protection of these sources.

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PART I

ALBERTSON, WILLIAM

ALBERTSON represents the NY District on the NC. He has been released from his position as Organizational Secretary of the NY District and PHIL BART has stated that ALBERTSON will be reassigned as a vague sort of coordinator of all CP publications and literature.

✓ APTHEKER, HERBERT

APTHEKER is an at large member of the NC and Director of the NY School for Marxist Studies.

APTHEKER returned to the US from a trip abroad on 11/21/60. He delivered a lecture in January, 1961 on the Cuban Revolution. He is scheduled to speak in Chicago on 2/19/61 on the Civil War Centennial and in the Bronx, NY, 2/21/61, on the occasion of Negro Brotherhood Week.

AUERBACH, SOLOMON

AUERBACH is an at large member of the NC who is commonly known as JAMES ALLEN.

He is currently on an extended trip abroad. He was a representative of the CP, USA at the November Conference of 81 CPs of the world held in Russia. It is noted that ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, upon her return to this country, criticized AUERBACH's actions at this Conference.

BART, PHILLIP

BART is an at large member of the NC and continues to hold the title of National Organization Secretary.

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He continues to be most active in the day to day work at the CP, USA National Office. In addition, he was one of those responsible for resolving the situation which developed in Boston and resulted in the expulsion of HOMER BATES CHASE from the NC.

BERT, ERIK

BERT is an at large member of the NC and holds the position of Executive Editor of "The Worker". He has been most active in the recent Fund Drive for the Party paper.

It has been reported that BERT will attend a Conference of CP journalists from all parts of the world in Leipzig, Germany, during the middle of March.

BLAIR, FRED

BLAIR represents the Wisconsin District on the NC and continues to hold the position of Chairman of the CP of Wisconsin.

There is some recent evidence that BLAIR would like to give up the position of Chairman of the Wisconsin CP.

BLUM, EMANUEL

BLUM represents the Indiana District on the NC and is Chairman of the Indiana Party.

BLUM has been highly concerned over the adverse effect of the notoriety that he received relative to newspaper coverage of a Midwest NC meeting held in September, 1960, in Chicago. BLUM has stated that because of this publicity, several people have discontinued his services as a tutor. In addition, it was learned that as a result of this publicity, a meeting of the Educational

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Commission of the CP of Illinois scheduled to be held at BLUM's residence, was cancelled. In addition, BLUM expressed the opinion that the leadership of the CP should not attend the National Steel Commission meeting held during November, 1960, as their presence would jeopardize the security of other Steel Commission members.

CHAKA, EDWARD

CHAKA represents the Ohio District on the NC and is a member of the State Board of the Ohio CP.

CHASE, HOMER BATES

At a meeting of the NC held 1/20 - 22/61, the following motion was made and carried:

That HOMER CHASE be removed from the NC; that he be informed by this body to abandon his recent "impermissible activities"; that within 6 months he present a letter of self-criticism to the Secretariat, who, in connection with the District, will work out a review of his work and activities and take whatever further steps necessary.

CHILDS, MORRIS

CHILDS represents the Missouri - Kansas District on the NC. He was elected to the NC at the 17th National Convention under the name C. MARTIN.

CHILDS returned from a trip abroad during December, 1960. While abroad, he attended the Conference of Representatives of 81 CPs of the world held in Russia during November, 1960.

COLON, JESUS

COLON is an at large member of the NC and continues to write a regular weekly column for "The Worker".

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COLON teaches at the NY School for Marxist Studies and recently gave a series of lectures on the Cuban Revolution. He continues to exhibit strong interest in the Cuban situation and the work of the Party among Puerto Ricans.

CRENOVICH, MICHAEL AARON

CRENOVICH is a member of the NC representing the NY District. It has been reported that CRENOVICH has been active for "The Committee for Fair Play for Cuba" and there is evidence of his involvement with the "July 26 Movement".

CRENOVICH, during the course of the reorganization of the NY District, repeatedly criticized GUS HALL and his reorganization program.

DAVIS, BENJAMIN J., JR.

DAVIS is an at large member of the NC and holds the position of CP, USA National Secretary.

DAVIS spoke at Amherst College, Amherst, Massachusetts, on 1/5/61. At that time he said that it was a privilege for him as a graduate of the Class of 1925, to be back at Amherst. He commented that it was a privilege of free speech not afforded him in NY. In his speech he advocated peaceful coexistence; was critical of the EISENHOWER Administration handling of the Cuban situation and spoke briefly about Africa and South America.

DAVIS has been in general disagreement with GUS HALL's program of reorganization of the NY District.

DAVIS, SAMUEL KRASS

DAVIS represents the Minnesota - Dakota District on the NC and is Secretary of that District. In his

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position he exerts absolute control over the Party activities within the District.

There has been some comment reflecting adversely on DAVIS regarding the failure of the District to take any steps whatsoever regarding the registration during November and December, 1960. During November it was reported that DAVIS was bitter over his failure to effect the infiltration of a ward club of a major political party in North Minneapolis. DAVIS' efforts in this respect met with complete failure and those CP members who attempted to gain membership in a ward club at his direction, were completely unsuccessful.

DAVIS has put much effort into the development of a new Marxist youth group.

DAVIS continues to spend some of his time at "The Worker" bookstore in downtown Minneapolis and takes periodic trips to North Minnesota in the Duluth iron range area in particular, on Party business.

DENNIS, EUGENE

DENNIS died of cancer on 1/31/61.

DENNIS, THOMAS DE WITT, JR.

DENNIS is a member of the NC representing the Michigan District and in addition holds the position of Secretary of that District.

DENNIS is self-employed as "Tommy's Builders Repair Service". DENNIS continues to actively participate in national and local CP activities, including recent negotiations in connection with moving the location of CP Headquarters of the Michigan District. He reportedly has refused to work full time for the CP because of his

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wife's objections. As a result, local CP leaders have complained of the failure of the National Office to resolve the problem of lack of leadership existing in the Michigan District. CARL WINTER reportedly expressed concern about organizational problems in the District and stated in effect that the National Office must get help for DENNIS soon.

DOBBS, BEN

DOBBS represents the Southern California District of the CP on the NC and holds the position of Executive Secretary of that District.

He continues to be closely associated with DOROTHY HEALEY, Chairman of the District and constantly defends her stand in regard to Party policies. The actions of both DOBBS and HEALEY have been under fire recently in regard to their attitudes toward the negro comrades.

FLYNN, ELIZABETH GURLEY

FLYNN is a member at large of the NC and holds the title of Vice Chairman of the CP, USA.

FLYNN recently returned from Russia where she attended the November Conference of representatives of 81 CPs throughout the world. She has indicated that she received a warm welcome everywhere she went abroad. She spoke in particular of a reception at which she was Chairman and had the privilege of introducing KHRUSHCHEV. FLYNN stated that KHRUSHCHEV spoke for 15 minutes on the CP, USA at this reception and praised her and the CP, USA at great lengths. FLYNN indicated it was her opinion that China will abide by the declaration made at the November Conference dealing with peaceful coexistence.

FLYNN recently cut short her trip through the midwest to return for DENNIS' funeral.

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FRIEDLANDER, MIRIAM

FRIEDLANDER is a member of the NC and represents the NY District. She continues to hold the title of Bronx County Organizer although she has been removed from the Party payroll.

FRIEDLANDER regularly attends meetings of the Bronx County Committee and has been most active in "The Worker" Fund Drive. FRIEDLANDER has been most disappointed over the fact that ARNOLD JOHNSON was given the assignment of developing the Peace Question. FRIEDLANDER has general bitterness over not getting this assignment and over the general reorganization of the NY State CP.

GERSON, SIMON W.

GERSON is an at large member of the NC. GERSON's activity continues to be in connection with his employment at Afton Tours. It has been reported that GERSON has been associated in operation of "Morning Freiheit". It has further been reported that he recently submitted an article to the "Wochespost", a CP magazine published in East Germany. He was in attendance at the NC meeting held 1/20 and 21/61 and spoke on the need of the Party to insist that the full weight of the Executive Branch of the Government be thrown behind segregation legislation.

GREEN, JACOB

GREEN is a member of the NC representing the Maryland District. GREEN, in speaking at the NC meeting held 1/20 - 22/61, commented that the 81 Party statement gave him a new feeling in regard to the movement. He urged the members of the Party to get out and do the job that has to be done in negro communities and through such efforts, the masses of negro people will see the true role of the Party.

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HAALAND, NORMAN

HAALAND is a member of the NC representing the Oregon District. There is grave doubt that HAALAND will continue to function in the dual capacity of member of the NC and Oregon State CP Chairman. He has been under attack on charges of anti-Party position and on 1/2/61, the State Board members decided that because of HAALAND's uncooperative attitude, they had no alternative but to suspend him as State Chairman and to proceed with his trial on the charges. HAALAND thereafter was advised by a committee of board members that he was being suspended by the CP State Board as Chairman and in view of charges pending against him, he was not to attend an NC meeting, that if he did attend, he would do so at his own expense and without the approval of the State Board.

HALL, FLORA

HALL is a member of the NC representing the Illinois District.

HALL has moved from her former address to 5338 North Winthrop, Chicago. Her son CARL HALL continues to reside with her.

During December, 1960, HALL was active in distributing registration forms to the Chairmen of CP Clubs throughout the Illinois District. HALL was to be responsible for the compilation of figures required by the National Office on the individual membership.

HALL, GUS

HALL is an at large member of the NC and holds the title of General Secretary of the CP, USA.

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He continues to be most active in all phases of CP work on a national level. In addition, it was through his efforts that the leadership of the NY CP District was reorganized.

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT recently commented that GUS HALL will move away more and more from the day to day operation of the Party and that BEN DAVIS and PHIL BART will assume much of HALL's responsibility in this regard.

HATHAWAY, CLARENCE

HATHAWAY is an at large member of the NC and holds the position of Chairman of the NY District. It was decided at the CP State Committee meeting held during the early part of December, 1960, that HATHAWAY would retain his position as Chairman of the District. In addition/ HATHAWAY's participation in the reorganization of the District he has made several out of state speeches in December and early January in order to raise money for "The Worker".

HEALEY, DOROTHY

HEALEY is a member of the NC representing the Southern California District of the CP and in addition holds the position of Chairman of that District.

For the past two months, HEALEY has been recuperating from a hysterectomy and has had little contact with Party affairs.

JACKSON, JAMES E.

JACKSON is an at large member of the NC and holds the position of Editor of "The Worker" and National Secretary for the south.

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JACKSON returned to the US on 12/20/60, after an extended trip abroad. He functioned as Secretary of the CP, USA Delegation to the Moscow Convention held in November, 1960. Since his return he has been active in reporting on that Convention and interpreting the 81 Party Statement resulting therefrom.

JOHNSON, ARNOLD

JOHNSON is an at large member of the NC. He was removed from the position of Vice Chairman of the NY District during the reorganization that took place in December, 1960. He was scheduled to be removed from the NY District payroll on 1/1/61 and transferred to the National Office payroll.

ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN has stated that she has recommended ARNOLD JOHNSON to head up the Defense Committee. She commented that JOHNSON would be able to handle such a position, that he knows the work and has contact with outfits such as the Civil Liberties Union.

PHIL BART has stated that ARNOLD JOHNSON may be put in charge of the peace movement on a national level. He said that it is hoped that JOHNSON will devise a new approach on the Peace Question which may take the form of developing a front organization for the recognition of Red China.

KRCHMAREK, ANTHONY

KRCHMAREK is a member of the NC representing the Ohio District. In addition, KRCHMAREK holds the position of State Chairman of the Ohio CP.

His particular emphases in Party work has been in the labor field. He attends meetings of the

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CP, USA Trade Union Commission and the CP, USA National Steel Commission. At a meeting of the NEC, held in December, 1960, KRCHMAREK stated that the Ohio CP had distributed 10,000 pieces of literature on various election issues and helped sway the labor vote.

At a meeting of the Southeast Section of the CP in Cleveland, held December 1, 1960, DAVEKATZ stated that KRCHMAREK had not been paid for seven months.

KUSHNER, SAM

KUSHNER is a member of the NC representing the Illinois District. In addition, he is Midwest Editor of "The Worker".

Recently, KUSHNER was interviewed on a radio news program in Chicago. KUSHNER stated that he was proud to be a Communist and identified himself as the Midwest Editor of "The Worker". During this program, KUSHNER indicated it was his opinion the Chicago Police Department was securing information on the Party through the tapping of telephone wires at Party Headquarters in Chicago.

LIGHTFOOT, CLAUDE

LIGHTFOOT is a member of the NC representing the Illinois District and holds the position of Vice Chairman of the CP, USA.

LIGHTFOOT is going to meet with PAUL ROBESON to discuss the differences ROBESON has with the leadership. LIGHTFOOT has been given the assignment of straightening out ROBESON on his "left" views.

LIGHTFOOT, GERALDYNE

LIGHTFOOT is an at large member of the NC.

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After returning from her trip to Moscow in August, 1960, LIGHTFOOT did not return to CP Headquarters to resume her work as Press Director. On her return she stated that if it had not been for her family in the US, she would have tried to make the Soviet Union her permanent residence.

In late 1960, LIGHTFOOT mentioned that the negro-white relationship in the Party has steadily been declining and that few negroes were being invited to white comrades residences.

LIMA, ALBERT "MICKEY"

LIMA is a member of the NC representing the Northern California District. In addition, he is Chairman of that District.

LIMA attended the Conference of CP Secretaries held in Moscow in November, 1960. LIMA's actions at this Conference were the subject of criticism and have been described as "amateurish and naive".

LUMER, HYMAN

LUMER is an at large member of the NC and holds the title of National Education Secretary.

In early December, 1960, LUMER conducted CP educational classes in Baltimore. Also during December, 1960, he wrote an article in "The Worker" on the subject of the US gold problem.

LUMER is scheduled to speak at the University of Iowa on 2/23/61. He has stated that it is his intention to write several other midwest colleges to see if he could get any other invitations to speak.

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MC ADORY, MILDRED (EDELMA)

MC ADORY is an at large member of the NC and a member of the Harlem Regional Committee of the CP.

MC ADORY regularly attends meetings of the CP, USA National Negro Commission. She has indicated the need for an open Party Headquarters in Harlem. She continues to support BEN DAVIS in his differences with other members of the CP National leadership.

MC ADORY spoke at the NC meeting held 1/20 - 22/61 on the need of the Party to undertake open mass work. She said that HENRY WINSTON's mother was critical of the Party for what she considered the Party's lack of concern for her son's welfare. MC ADORY said that she assured Mrs. WINSTON that the Party had been active in WINSTON's behalf and was contemplating further action to gain his release. MC ADORY urged the Party reintensify the campaign for WINSTON's release and make efforts to bring this case to the attention of President KENNEDY.

MEYERS, GEORGE

MEYERS is an at large member of the NC. In addition he has been given the assignment of contacting people in various southern states for the Party. There is feeling among certain leaders that in view of his assignment in the south, MEYERS should also be made a member of the National Negro Commission.

MITCHELL, CHARLENE

MITCHELL is a member of the NC representing the Southern California District of the CP. In addition she holds a position on the Executive Board of the District, but because of her ill health she has been released from all youth activities and assigned to teach Marxist classes.

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NABRIED, THOMAS

NABRIED is a member of the NC representing the Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware District. In addition he is employed full time by the Party in the capacity of District Chairman.

He has been attending meetings at the National Negro Commission during recent months. Although a Marxist, he frequently gives indications of negro nationalism and lays stress on such issues as negro representation, the right of negroes to register and vote in the south and giving aid to oppressed negroes in the south.

NELSON, BURT GALE

NELSON represents the Northwest District on the NC. In addition he holds the position of Chairman of that District.

NELSON has been endeavoring to reinstate his membership in the ILWU. To date he has been unsuccessful, blaming his failure on interference by Naval Intelligence and enemies within the union. When HARRY BRIDGES was in Seattle, NELSON contacted him and found BRIDGES extremely "cool". BRIDGES told NELSON that there was nothing he could do for him insofar as getting back into the union was concerned. HOWARD BODINE, another ILWU official from San Francisco was equally "cool" toward NELSON and would not even talk to him. The problem that faces NELSON is that membership renewals must be made within a 10-year period from withdrawal date. NELSON's time limit is running out in 1961. If unsuccessful, NELSON will lose all rights to retirement benefits.

O'DELL, HUNTER PITTS

O'DELL is a member of the NC representing the South. He was elected at the National Convention under the name CORNELIUS JAMES.

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It has been reported that O'DELL is going to a university to study higher mechanics of the insurance business. It has further been reported that there is consideration being given to sending him to a secret Party school in Moscow, which will run for 2 years.

PATTERSON, WILLIAM L.

PATTERSON is an at large member of the NC. In the reorganization of the New York District, PATTERSON retained his position as Vice Chairman of that District.

PATTERSON, as a member of the CP, USA Negro Commission, has been most active in the formation of a program for 1961, outlining Party activities in this field.

PERRY, PETTIS

PERRY is an at large member of the NC.

PERRY continues to be confined as a tubercular at the Olive View Sanitorium, Olive View, California.

POTASH, IRVING

POTASH is an at large member of the NC and holds the position of Labor Secretary of the CP, USA and membership on the Organization Bureau.

It has been reported that POTASH has been in contact with BILL KASHTAN and TIM BUCK, leaders of the CP of Canada and has conferred with outstanding and important leaders in both the packing and steel industries.

On 12/15/60, POTASH attended and presided over a meeting of the CP, USA Trade Union Commission. He presented a report at this meeting on the development and estimate of militancy in the Trade Union Movement.

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It has been announced that a meeting of the National Automobile Commission and a Railroad Conference will be held in February, 1961, and that POTASH will probably be in attendance.

In addition to his duties as Labor Secretary, POTASH continues to handle the HENRY WINSTON appeal. His status with INS is unchanged and he continues under order of supervision awaiting deportation.

PROCTOR, ROSCOE

PROCTOR is a member of the NC representing the Northern California District. He is a member of the Northern California District Committee and his occupation is warehouseman.

PROCTOR attended the CP Leadership School for a five-week period during November, December, 1960. WILLIAM WEINSTONE, in reviewing the qualifications of students attending this school, described PROCTOR as "thinking fellow" and a most qualified organizer.

QUEEN, DANIEL

QUEEN is an at large member of the NC.

It has been learned that QUEEN was a leading figure in a national organizing conference to establish an Organizational Committee for a Socialist - Oriental Youth Organization held in Chicago over the New York Holidays. At this Conference he was elected to the Executive Council of the Organizing Committee and designated as one of three persons to travel nationally for this organizing effort to form a youth organization within a year.

RICHMOND, AL

RICHMOND is an at large member of the NC. He continues to hold the position of Executive Editor of the "People's World".

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RICHMOND, in discussing the current ideological differences between the USSR and Communist China, stated that it was important that the CP, USA not make the mistake of deciding which is the bad party and which is the good. He advocated an interpretation of Marxist theory in light of the rapid and sweeping social changes which have occurred.

ROBESON, PAUL JR.

ROBESON is a member of the NC representing the New York District. ROBESON was outspoken against the reorganization of the NY District along the lines proposed by GUS HALL. He has declared that CLARENCE HATHAWAY is not qualified for the leadership of the NY District because of his lack of knowledge in the negro field. ROBESON has supported BEN DAVIS in this current conflict and has stated that DAVIS should never have been removed from the state leadership.

He attended the NC meeting of 1/20 - 22/61, and in speaking called for intensified activity in the struggle to defeat colonialism and imperialism.

ROSENBLUTH, NAT

ROSENBLUTH is a member of the NC representing the NY District. He attended a NY District CP Committee meeting in early November, 1960, however, since that time he has been almost totally inactive in regard to CP work.

RUBIN, MORTIMER DANIEL

RUBIN is an at large member of the NC representing youth and holds the position of CP, USA National Youth Secretary. In addition he is a member of the CP, USA Organization Bureau.

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RUBIN was a member of the Coordinating Committee, the Press Committee and the Credentials Committee at the National Youth Conference to establish a National Organizing Committee for a Marxist Youth organization held in Chicago 12/30/60 - 1/1/61. RUBIN was elected a member at large of the Executive Committee of the National Organizing Committee established at this Conference.

STACHEL, JACOB

STACHEL is an at large member of the NC. He regularly attends meetings of the CP national leadership. He presented an analysis of the election vote at the NEC meeting held 12/27/60. At that time he urged immediate steps be taken in the fight for a new organization by the CP of "left forces". He said this must be done so the Party can extend their mass work and not let the SWP and other organizations take over in fields in which the CP was supreme in the past.

STANFORD, JOHN

STANFORD is a member of the NC representing the south. He continues as the main CP leader in the San Antonio area. It has been reported that STANFORD was one of those being considered as a representative of the CP, USA assigned to maintain liaison with the CP of Mexico.

TOOHEY, PATRICK

TOOHEY is a member of the NC representing the New Jersey District. In addition, he is State Chairman of the New Jersey CP. Although he receives no salary in this position, he does receive expense money from the New Jersey CP.

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Failures on the part of the National Office functionaries to fulfill speaking commitments in New Jersey has led TOOHEY to make remarks that there is a definite lack of interest exhibited by the leadership toward the New Jersey CP and has resulted in increased isolation of the state from the National Office.

TORMEY, BETTY GANNETT

TORMEY is a member of the NC representing the NY District. She was retained in the leadership of the NY District under the recent plans of reorganization. "The Worker" issue dated 12/11/60, contains a notice that "Betty Gannett" was designated a member of the full-time staff of the NY State CP and given the title of Organizer and Educational Director of the District.

According to the Winter Term brochure of the New York School for Marxist Studies, 1/16 - 2/4, "Betty Gannett" is listed as an instructor of "People's Capitalism".

TORMEY, JAMES

TORMEY is a member of the NC representing the NY District. He was retained as Kings County CP Organizer in the reorganization of the District, however, he was dropped from the State payroll as a full-time employee. He reportedly is looking for employment.

WEINSTOCK, LOUIS

WEINSTOCK is a member of the NC representing the NY District and General Manager of "The Worker". In addition he is a member of the Organization Bureau.

It was recently learned that WEINSTOCK, while in Hungary in September, 1960, to attend the wedding of his daughter, reached some agreement with the Hungarians

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as to what they might do indirectly to help "The Worker". WEINSTOCK attempted to reach a similar agreement with the Czechoslovakian officials during his stopover in Prague, Czechoslovakia in late September when returning from Hungary, but was unsuccessful. WEINSTOCK did not ask for money from either the Czechoslovakians or Hungarians. The Hungarians reportedly told WEINSTOCK they could send them certain goods through their trading organization in the US. Kitchen utensils and other handicraft items were mentioned and it was stated that they could give the items to WEINSTOCK at cost or less and he could dispose of them as he sees fit.

In the latter part of January, 1961, WEINSTOCK indicated he has been to the Hungarian trading organization in NYC and found them much more cooperative than when first contacted. WEINSTOCK has also indicated he was going after the Czechoslovakian trading organization Tauseg, and other Socialist bloc countries' trading organizations to get them to take ads in "The Worker".

WEINSTONE, WILLIAM WOLF

WEINSTONE was elected a member of the NC at a meeting of that body held in NYC 1/20 - 22/61.

The following background information is being furnished concerning WEINSTONE:

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Date of birth

12/15/97, Vilna,
Poland, Russia

Citizenship

Residence

Apt. D-36
43-22 47th St.
Sunnyside, LI, NY

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Family

Wife MONETTE WEINSTONE -
employed-Turriers
Joint Council

Employment

Education

Military

CP History

Present position

Description

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Subject on payroll of National
Office of CP, USA, 23 W. 26th
St., NYC
CCNY - matriculated 9/16,
left without being graduated
in 2/20
US Navy - 10/1/18, and
released from active duty
12/21/18. Honorably discharged
9/30/21, Apprentice Seaman
Subject a charter member of
CP, USA - attended first
convention of NY State
District of CP held in 1920
Assistant to HYMAN LUMER,
CP, USA Educational Director
White male, 185 lbs, dark
gray hair; brown eyes,
medium complexion

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CP, USA is considering sending WEINSTONE to
Prague for a period of one year as CP,USA representative
on the staff of "World Marxist Review".

WEST, JAMES

WEST is a member of the NC representing the
Illinois District.

WEST attended a national meeting of the CP
Youth Directors in Chicago during November, 1960, at which
plans were discussed and formulated for the National Youth
Conference scheduled over the New Year Holidays. In
addition he attended a meeting of the NEC held in NY
during December, 1960.

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WHEELER, JUANITA

WHEELER is a member of the NC representing the Southern California District. She is employed as Circulation Manager of the "People's World".

WHEELER attended the Leadership Training School held in NY during November and December, 1960. WILLIAM WEINSTONE, in reviewing the qualifications of the students attending this school, described WHEELER as "very intelligent". This opinion is in contrast to the evaluation of many fellow comrades in the San Francisco area who consider her mentally slow and hardly qualified for membership on the NC.

WINTER, CARL

WINTER is a member of the NC representing the Michigan District. In addition he holds the position of Chairman of that District and Chairman of the Midwest Region, CP, USA. He devotes his full time to CP activities.

WINTER has greatly improved in health and is currently involved in the move of the Michigan CP office to new quarters.

WINTER, HELEN ALLISON

WINTER is a member of the NC as well as a member of the Michigan State CP Committee.

At a meeting held in October, 1960, she reported on her recent travels to Cuba and her attendance at the Convention of the Popular Socialist Party of Cuba. She outlined the background of the Revolutionary Movement giving an appraisal of the role being played in this movement in the government by Communist factions. She lauded the Castro Government and described the position of the Communist element in glowing terms.

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WINTER returned to the Detroit area on 1/6/61 after having attended the meeting in Moscow of Secretaries of the CPs throughout the world. WINTER was a delegate of the CP, USA to this meeting. She is planning meetings at which she will report her activities while in Russia.

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PHIL BART, in January, 1961, has eluded to the existence of a national "leftist" group inside the Party. He said that while he is without absolute evidence, there were some indications of its existence. BART said that there is a situation in the Oregon District of the CP. BART commented that he received a letter from CASSIE JONES, CP member from Oregon, stating that the Oregon CP had suspended or expelled NORMAN HAALAND until further notice and asked that the National Office have nothing to do with him. BART stated that HAALAND is one of BERT NELSON's "boys" and it is possible that NELSON may be engaged in a national "leftist" group. BART concluded that there must be a system of correspondence in this group but the particulars are unknown. He said that he has seen manifestations of such a leftist group in the NY County CP and has heard there are such manifestations existing in the New Jersey CP.

BEN DAVIS criticized GUS HALL's report to the NC at the meeting held 1/20 - 22/61, claiming HALL always attends the meetings, makes good speeches, but gets nothing done. According to DAVIS, HALL talked about the economic situation but has failed to reflect a clear cut program.

HALL later criticized DAVIS for not making a sincere effort to attend the National Negro Commission meeting in Philadelphia on 1/14 - 15/61. HALL indicated he was not satisfied with the work of the leadership and

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that unless there was some improvement in the near future, he would take steps to have certain individuals replaced.

As a result of the foregoing, DAVIS and HALL became engaged in a heated discussion.

ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN and HY LUMER have agreed that the trouble with the National Organization is that they do not have a working Secretariat. They described BEN DAVIS as "nothing but a windbag". In addition both FLYNN and LUMER indicated dissatisfaction with the leadership of GUS HALL has given to the Party.

The disputes between FLO HALL and JAMES WEST in the Illinois District continue. As a result they are unable to effectively coordinate the work of the District.

The dispute regarding negro leadership on a national scale continues. BILL ALBERTSON, who has been removed from leadership in NY State, has stated that BEN DAVIS has systematically stifled or prevented the up-grading of any other negro leader on a national scale. He said, however, that DAVIS has not been able to stop CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT although he continues to snipe at LIGHTFOOT at all national meetings. ALBERTSON has stated that one of the reasons GUS HALL does not tangle with DAVIS on the leadership question is because of the general weakness of the CP line on the Negro Question. One of the reasons given for the low negro membership in the Party in NY is because many negro Communists will not register in view of their dislike for DAVIS and their feeling that his line on the Negro Question is wrong.

Recently, CHARLENE MITCHELL was the source of controversy at a meeting of negro comrades of the Southern California District when HEALEY and DOBBS were charged with white chauvenism. This charge was made because they attempted to oust MITCHELL from her position as a full time paid employee of the District. The reason given for this ouster was the fact that MITCHELL's ill

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health did not permit her to work full time.

Part III

The family relationship of DAVIS and his wife continues to deteriorate. He uses vile and obscene language in addressing her. Recently it has been reported that JOE EDELMAN has made certain overtures to NINA DAVIS, BEN's wife. It would appear from conversation that an affair between the two in the near future is a distinct possibility.

BEN DOBBS has recently been under the care of a physician for a growth in his throat. According to DOBBS, his physician has indicated the growth is not malignant.

Considerable animosity was developed between PEGGY DENNIS and certain leaders of the CP at the time of her husband's death. She has indicated that there was a general lack of feeling or interest in her husband's condition until just at the "end". The Party leaders, mainly PHIL BART, made funeral arrangements including a memorial service without consulting or inquiring as to the wishes of PEGGY. She was incensed and dismayed at this. It is noted that she did not attend the memorial service for her husband.

PEGGY DENNIS revealed that ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN was in the Midwest where she had a number of meetings scheduled when she got the news of GENE's death. She immediately cancelled all meetings. PEGGY said that FLYNN had a terrific row because people in Chicago, Detroit and Cleveland raised "holy hell" and said that she could fulfill her commitments and still return to NYC for the services on Sunday. According to PEGGY DENNIS, FLYNN was furious and said that she has never seen "such calbuseness and such vulgarity in any organization; that she could not see how they could even continue to hold the meetings

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under such circumstances whether she was there or not".

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT stated in late 1960 that since his wife GERALDYNE no longer works at CP Headquarters, he is running about \$40 short each week in trying to make his household expenses meet his income. LIGHTFOOT has proposed that he purchase refrigeration equipment for the purpose of storing eggs and that his wife could purchase eggs in Indiana from farmers and subsequently sell these eggs to restaurants in Chicago. LIGHTFOOT is attempting to secure \$1,000 for this venture and GUS HALL has promised him \$500 of CP, USA funds for this business.

MICKEY LIMA has been criticized for his actions while attending the Moscow Conference in November, 1960. Contrary to instructions, LIMA took voluminous notes at the Conference after previously being instructed that no notes would be permitted to be taken out of the Soviet Union. His activities in this regard became so noticeable that the Soviets called them to the attention of the Chairman of the CP, USA Delegation.

LIMA also violated "protocol" by quizzing delegates from other countries without the permission of the Soviets.

Due to his actions at this Conference, LIMA has provoked the suspicions of other CP leaders and his future actions are likely to be observed with these in mind.

TOM NABRIED and FRANCES GABOW attended a New Year's Eve Party on 12/31/61, imbibed freely and were found in bed together by the hostess on the morning of 1/1/61. They were fully castigated by the hostess for such actions and have been apprehensive about repercussions but have not discontinued their affair. The negro

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common law wife of NABRIED is suspicious of them and understandably upset about this situation. NABRIED's heart condition has continued to slow down his pace and requires him to take a nap almost every afternoon. Many days he does not leave his residence. NABRIED continues to play numbers, betting daily in the amounts of .10 to .35.

On Christmas weekend BURT NELSON became involved in a bitter argument with his wife HELEN, resulting in his wife either hitting NELSON over the head with a whiskey bottle and/or throwing a glass full of beer in his face. In retaliation, NELSON allegedly struck his wife, knocking her down and then kicked her while she was on the floor of their boathouse. Following this, NELSON departed and went to a friend's house in Seattle and remained there all night.

The following morning, after several cups of black coffee, NELSON became somewhat concerned about the condition of his wife, wondering whether or not she had been able to get off the floor. He indicated he did not know whether she was alive or dead. It was ascertained later that day that on arriving home NELSON was much relieved to find his wife alive. These family disputes involving NELSON are becoming more frequent and more violent. When considered with the other animosities existing between NELSON and others in the CP both local and national, it is expected that NELSON's days as District Chairman are numbered.

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-81)

February 16, 1961

SAC, CHICAGO (100-33729)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

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(cc: NEW YORK)

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HANDLING AND REPORTING OF THE INFORMATION APPEARING ON
THE FOLLOWING PAGE. IN ORDER TO PROTECT THIS HIGHLY
PLACED SOURCE.

The information on the following page was orally furnished on February 10, 1961, by CG 5824-S*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, to SAs KENNETH R. MURPHY and RICHARD W. HANSEN. This information was reduced to writing on February 16, 1961.

2 - Bureau (RM)
(6) - New York (RM)
 (1) - 100-80532 (HERBERT APTHEKER)
 1 - 100-25623 [redacted] (12-11)
 1 - 100- [redacted]
 1 - 100-84994 (GUS HALL) (415)
 1 - 100-86624 (CP, USA - INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS)
 1 - 100-80641 (CP, USA - ORGANIZATION)
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It was learned during the latter part of the week of February 5, 1961, that GUS HALL, General Secretary, Communist Party, USA (CP, USA), had informed ERIC BERT, Managing Editor, "The Worker", to prepare for a trip. BERT has been given an invitation to attend a meeting to be held in Leipzig, German People's Republic, on March 20-21, 1961. At this meeting there will be an extensive discussion on the topic "New Methods of Imperialism".

Permission has been received for BERT to proceed to Moscow, Russia, after the conclusion of the Leipzig meeting. His only transportation expense will be the cost of air travel to Prague and from there the Russians will pick up the remainder of the tab. BERT's transportation costs for the round trip from New York to Leipzig will be paid for by someone in East Germany.

BERT's wife, name unknown, has been authorized by HALL to accompany him on the above described trip.

It has also been learned that HERBERT APTHEKER on his last trip abroad completed all the preliminary arrangements for the trip of ERIC BERT.

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SA ROBERT G. OPTEDAL

PROMPT RETURN
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Identity of Informant

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Characterization

Who has furnished reliable
information in the past

Date

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According to the informant, [REDACTED]
contacted, on 2/17/61, [REDACTED] (New
Century Publishers) are going to [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED] inquired as to when [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] replied he had been informed [REDACTED] Monday
or Tuesday" and added [REDACTED]
(New Century Publishers).

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Earlier, on the same day, [REDACTED] contacted
[REDACTED] to complain because "Political Affairs" was late.
[REDACTED] stated that the reason for the delay was due to HERBERT
(APTHEKER) or the staff, but he can't determine for certain,
as APTHEKER is in Detroit at the present time.

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1-NY (101-559) [REDACTED] (415)
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC (100-104142) (41)

DATE: 2/16/61

FROM: SA ALBERT E. FALLER

SUBJECT: EMMA LAZARUS FEDERATION
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[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, made available to the New York Office information concerning the above captioned subject obtained from Room 911 in the building located at 160 Fifth Avenue, NYC, which room is occupied by the Emma Lazarus Federation of Jewish Women's Clubs (ELF).

Strict care must be exercised so that the existence of this important source of information will not become known to any outside agency. It is also to be noted that because of the nature of this source of information it will be impossible to recontact the source regarding information furnished.

Information received on 12/29/60 by
SA ALBERT E. FALLER

The following disposition is being made of the original exhibit:

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() Forwarded for your information and appropriate action.

() No copy of the exhibit or this letter is being retained by the NYO.

✓ Description of exhibit: ELF letter dated 12/28/60, announcing classes on "The History of the Civil War" on 1/17 & 31/61 with HERBERT APTHEKER as lecturer. Lectures on topic of "American Jews in Civil War" were scheduled for 2/13 & 27/61 with MORRIS SCHAPPE as lecturer.

1-New York (100-80532) (HERBERT APTHEKER) (415)
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2/20/61

SA WILLIAM A. HARWOOD

COMMITTEE FOR FREEDOM OF
THE PRESS
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On 1/30/61, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, by mail provided SA RAYMOND E. MOOMEY with a pamphlet announcing a Freedom of the Press Committee meeting to take place 2/19/61 at Fine Arts Bldg, 410 South Michigan, Chicago.

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Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER, author, editor and lecturer, is to be the speaker on "The Civil War Centennial - a Marxist View."

The original is located in 100-25191-1A171.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-142782)(41)

2/24/61

SA SEBASTIAN S. MIGNOSA (424)

NEW YORK SCHOOL FOR MARXIST STUDIES
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Identity of Source



Description of info

Dr. APTHEKER's 2/6/61
class at the N.Y. S.M.S.

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Date Received

2/9/61

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1 - New York (100-114924) [Redacted] (424)
1 - New York (100-142344) [Redacted] (412)

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1 - New York (100-143887) (CDS) (41)
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New York, N.Y.

Dr. H. APTHEKER taught his class at the New York School for Marxist Studies on 2/6/61. The subject matter title for the class is "American Social Thought."

There were 10 people in attendance including LOUIS KRANES and JACKIE HARRIS.

APTHEKER announced a forum to be held at the Sheraton-Atlantic Friday evening 2/10/61 which forum would be lead by ALVAREZ DEL VAYO discussing current developments in Spain.

APTHEKER discussed DAVID RIESMAN and his tenets:

He was a phenomenon of the upsurge of conservatism.

He was a supporter of the late Senator MC CARTHY.

He was a liberal New Dealer

He was a good writer; an expert in coining words and phrases.

APTHEKER announced there would be no class 2/20 since he would be in the Mid-West but there would be a class 2/27.

LOUIS KRANES was observed selling tickets for the forthcoming meeting of the Committee for Democratic Spain. He sold two tickets to JACKIE HARRIS.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532)

DATE: 2/24/61

FROM : SA ROBERT G. OFTEDAL

SUBJECT: HERBERT APTHEKER
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"The Worker" edition of 2/26/61, page 11, column 5,
lists the following function:

"Dr. Herbert Aptheker will give a Marxist
analysis of 'The Cuban Revolution and American Policy.'
Sunday, Feb. 26, 8:00 p.m. at the Brighton Community
Center, 3200 Coney Island Ave."

1-ASAC N.H. MC CABE (Div. IV)
1-Supervisor W.T. MARCHESSAULT (#41)
1-Supervisor C.J. RYAN (#42)
1-RA - Babylon
1-RA - Kingston
1-RA - Poughkeepsie
1-RA - Garden City
1-RA - Staten Island
1-RA - Suffern
1-RA - White Plains
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-140667)

DATE: 2/23/61

FROM: SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY

SUBJECT: ADVANCE
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Identity of Source

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furnished reliable
info in past (conceal)

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Description of Info

Informant reported on a
Civil War Forum held at
Academy Hall, 1/27/61.
HERB APTHEKER was instructor.

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2/7/61

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1-NY 100-80532 (HERBERT APTHEKER) (415)
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1-NY 100-8033 [redacted] (422)
1-NY 100-110888 (MRS. HERBERT APTHEKER) (422)
1-NY 100-142060 [redacted] (422)
1-NY 100-137578 [redacted] (421)
1-NY 100-134729 [redacted] (423)
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Civil War forum
1/27/61
8:45 to 10:30 pm
Academy Hall
40 present

1/31/61

The following were present:

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HERBERT APTHEKER, teacher
(2) MYRNA COVIVI
(3) HENRY REININGER
(4) ELIZABETH LAWSON, she sold her pamphlet "The Gentleman
from Mississippi"
(5) Mrs. HERBERT APTHEKER
(6) FNU [REDACTED]
(7) STANLEY ZELMAN
(8) JOHN VAGO
(9) HILDA BROWN

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APTHEKER said this paragraph. JOHN BROWN held his raids three years before the Civil War. BROWN was hanged as a madman. During the Civil War the Union Army sang "John Brown's Body." BROWN said that you can kill me but the slavery issue is not over yet. Desertion was much more prevalent in the Southern Army and for different reasons. The soldiers of the Southern army deserted because they believed the southern cause to be wrong and some even joined the Union army. There were many slave revolts before the Civil War including one led by GABRIEL, a 22 year old Negro who was hanged. The courts would not try or hear cases which involved a slave owner suing a Negro for property he took when he was freed. Several Southern states also had Union armies. APTHEKER suggested the reading of his books on the Civil War. The Civil War wasn't a honorable war on the part of the South.

About half of the crowd was under 25 years old. This forum may have been organized by Advance since JOHN VAGO and another young fellow were collecting the admission money.

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Remarks:

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The source advised that Herbert Aptheker recently made an out of town trip from 2/16 to 2/21/61. Aptheker left New York on 2/16 for Dayton, Ohio, and returned to New York from Chicago, Illinois, on 2/21/61. He made his own arrangements from Dayton to Chicago.

He stated that flight numbers for the trip could be obtained if desired.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C315)

FROM: SA ROGER O'MARA (421)

SUBJECT: ALLERTON CP CLUB
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DATE: 2/24/61

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Description of info CP Club meeting

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1 - New York (100-107737)

1 - New York (100-63995)

1 - New York (100-1696) (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN) (415)

1 - New York (100-104142) (EMMA LAZARUS SOCIETY) (41)

1 - New York (100-80532) (HERBERT APTHEKER) (422)

1 - New York (100-20) (424)

1 - New York (100-84994) (GUS HALL) (415)

1 - New York (100-133435) (PARTY AFFAIRS) (415)

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On 1/10/61 there took place a meeting of the Allerton Club of the Bronx Communist Party. This took place at 683 Allerton Avenue in the Bronx.

Those present were BELLA HALEBSKY, SAM NESIN, DORA ZIEBEL, BEA and STANLEY STEIN, HYMAN GOLDSTEIN, ABE ITZKOWITZ, FERMIN CAMENIR, REBECCA GORDON, MARY SCHNEIDER, GOLDIE LEVITT, MOLLY BERGER, and SAM WEINRITT.

BELLA HALEBSKY, club organizer was at the chair and announced that a meeting with ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, who had recently returned from a long stay in Europe, being the speaker. This will be held on 1/24/61. It was decided that the executive committee of the club would make all the arrangements.

MOLLY BERGER then gave a report on her work with the Emma Lazarus Society. She said that she is the president of Allerton branch and active in the state and national organizations. She said that her activity with the society prevented her from being active and come to many meetings of the Allerton Club.

She said that she has been working with the local library. In Brooklyn, MOLLY said the society is very strong and active. The national organization is holding classes for leaders. HERBERT APTHECKER is going to teach a course on the Negro during the Civil War and MORRIS SCHAPPES on the Jew during the Civil War.

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The Emma Lazarus Society is now starting a campaign to amend the Walter-Mc Carran Act of 1952. The object is to amend the law by providing for a five to ten year statute of limitations. The organization is doing this by distributing pamphlets and collecting signatures on petitions. The Allerton Society of the Emma Lazarus Society is going to try to start a young womans Chapter. BELLA HALEBSKY said that BEA STEIN would make a likely candidate.

BELLA HALEBSKY said from Party Affairs, Dec., 1960 issue an open letter from GUS HALL to the Allerton Clubs. This referred to a meeting addressed by GUS HALL in May, 1960. This caused a great deal of annoyance. BELLA HALEBSKY said that the executive committee would compose a reply to HALL's letter which no one had seen before. She was angry. DORA ZIEBEL said that HALL did not see the picture as it really was. SAM WEINRITT said he was avoided by all his former friends, didn't HALL realize that the times had changed. SAM NESIN upheld HALL.

MOLLY BERGER said that at her husbands industrial club, CLARENCE HATHAWAY said that harmony has been restored in the leadership of the Communist Party because the leadership had been reduced from fifteen to seven.

As the meeting ended REBECCA GORDON was overheard telling BEA STEIN that she would send her the address where the next meeting of the Emma Lazarus Society would be held.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, New York

DATE: February 24, 1961

✓ FROM : Director, FBI (100-123974)

SUBJECT: HERBERT APTHEKER
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

According to a brief article in "The Worker" of February 19, 1961, Aptheker is to appear as a regular commentator on FM Radio Station WBAI, New York City. The first broadcast is set for February 28, 1961, at 7 p.m.

New York is instructed to arrange appropriate coverage of these broadcasts and to submit letterhead memoranda suitable for dissemination.

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**Spring term Catalogue of the New York School
For Marxist Studies.**

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Remarks:

**Catalogue lists spring term dates as March 6-May 5. Also lists
classes available and instructors as follows:**

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1 - New York:	(100-80532)	(DR. HERBERT APFELBERG) (415)
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✓ On 2/15/61, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished the writer an invitation folder which he received via mail on 2/9/61, from the New York School for Marxist Studies. This folder announced Dr. JULIO ALVAREZ DEL VAYO, former Foreign Minister of the Spanish Republic (1936-1939), would speak on Current Developments in Spain on 2/10/61, at Hotel Sheraton-Atlantic, Broadway and 34th St., NYC, price of admission \$1.00 by invitation only. This announcement folder was signed by HERBERT APTHEKER.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT *** MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, CHICAGO (100-38194)

2-28-61

FROM: SA H. SIDNEY NEEL, JR.

SUBJECT: FREDERICK DOUGLASS CLUB
COMMUNIST PARTY OF ILLINOIS
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On February 16, 1961, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, provided information pertaining to the Frederick Douglass Club.

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Chicago, Illinois
February 16, 1961

On Tuesday evening, February 14, 1961, the
Frederick Douglass Club of the Communist Party of Illinois
met at the home of JESSIE SHERIDAN, [redacted]
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The meeting was scheduled for 8:15 PM, but because
of late arrivals, it was 8:45 PM before the meeting began.

Those present:

JESSIE SHERIDAN
DAVE SIMONSON - Club Chairman
HUGH STATEN
PAT TERRY
LINDA LAWSON
ANNA MORGAN
MILT COHEN
BEA PEARSON

DICK MORGAN did not attend and had complained that
the club meetings never start on time.

DAVE stated that his wife, KAY SIMONSON, is a member
of the "other Hyde Park Club".

Literature, a report by MILT COHEN, and announcements
composed the agenda. No financial report or educational
was given.

Literature

ANNA MORGAN distributed literature including "Masses
and Mainstream", "Soviet Woman" and a periodical about China.

On the 4th and 5th of March there will be a literature
sale at the MORGAN's so that people who can't go to the Modern
Book Store will have an opportunity to either buy or order
literature. ANNA said the Modern Book Store is in poor financial
status. ANNA is to get out a leaflet on this sale. BEA PEARSON
volunteered to help on the 5th and PAT TERRY and LINDA LAWSON
volunteered to help on Saturday. Hours will be approximately
1:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Saturday, the 4th and 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
on Sunday, the 5th.

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Report by MILT COHEN

MILT reported on the 81st Marxist - Leninist Party; unemployment, including Negro unemployment, FEPC, emergency relief community-wise.

MILT had recently attended a meeting of CP leaders, but no mention was made of the time or place of this meeting.

DAVE suggested that the slogan "Peace - Jobs" be painted on old buildings, walls, I. C. stations, etc., as they do in Europe for "Yankee, Go Home". LINDA, HUGH and DAVE volunteered for this. Apparently DAVE lived in France for three years, exact time not stated.

MILT had to leave to attend another meeting. He gave leaflets to LINDA concerning the Marxist school on social science. She announced the school begins February 27, 1961, will last for eight weeks, classes Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday. The classes will be at 333 West North Avenue. The leaflet was criticized as being messy and ANNA said that DICK CRILEY made the leaflets and it's surprising they turned out as well as they did because he has mangled his hand.

DAVE said at least two Club members should attend, but no one stated any plans as of yet of attending.

Members were urged to become active in mass work such as peace groups, schools, open occupancy, tenants, etc.

The next meeting is to be held February 22, 1961, at DAVE's house. This meeting is being held a week from the present meeting so that it won't meet at the same week as the other Hyde Park Club. After next week, meetings will be two weeks apart.

Announcements

It was stated that RHODA and FOSTER STOCKWELL are back in Chicago and one will go into the Frederick Douglass Club and the other will go into the other Hyde Park Club. No mention was made of their residence or employment.

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JESSIE SHERIDAN will not be in town for the first ten or twelve days in March. She said she is going on vacation, but didn't say where she was going.

HERBERT APTHEKER will speak on the History of Negro Labor the 18th of February at the BLUM's, [REDACTED]
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✓ On February 23, 1961, there will be a meeting at the Packinghouse Union Hall sponsored by the Fair Play for Cuba Committee.

VICTOR PERLO will speak in March and JOE NORTH in April, 1961, no specific dates or places named, but they will speak at Chicago.

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SA PAUL B. FRANKFURT

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On 2/23/61, [redacted] who
has furnished reliable information in the past,
personally provided SA PAUL B. FRANKFURT with
handwritten information pertaining to a 1/19/61
meeting sponsored by the "Freedom of the Press
Committee" featuring a lecture by Dr. HERBERT APTEKER.

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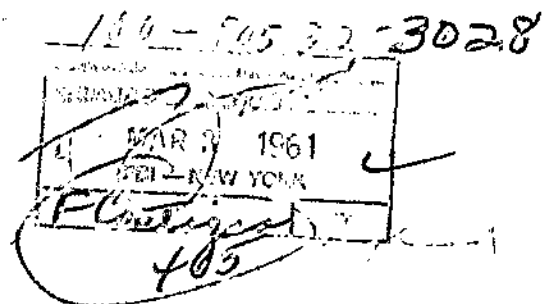
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February 23, 1961

Attended meeting sponsored by "Freedom of the Press" Sunday February 19, 1961 - 7:30 PM, 410 South Michigan, 8th floor - Music Room.

Principal and only speaker other than announcer, was Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER. Attendance approximately 100 to 125 persons. Admission, \$1.00. No special collections taken up. Usual sale of pamphlets, books, etc.

Lecture was advertised "Marxist View of Abraham Lincoln Years". It was an hour-long dissertation by Dr. APTHEKER, principally caustic and sarcastic in nature and for the most part, a disputation of fact. Some of the remembered points are:

1. A New York daily paper listed 30 historical events with February anniversaries. Notably missing was mention of the Negro Rights annual anniversary.
2. Union colored soldiers were paid less than the white soldier during the Civil War.
3. Colored soldiers were principally instrumental in achieving the Union victory.
4. Negro property was confiscated by the Federal Government after the war.
5. Mention was made of possible treason within LINCOLN's Cabinet during the war.

A question and answer period followed the lecture. One woman asked, "Since all the progress we have made in our common effort has been achieved by revolution, do you feel that our ultimate success will be gained that way?"

Dr. APTHEKER hesitated and finally said,
"We do not know what the ruling class will do".
He then disagreed with the question pointing out
that the Communist Party has achieved many successes
by means other than revolutions.

Meeting was over at 10:00 PM.

Noted there were three different small
groups having coffee at Pixley and Ehlers on East
Van Duren Street after the meeting.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-142782)

FROM: SA WILLIAM G. CURRALL (#41)

SUBJECT: THE NEW YORK SCHOOL FOR
MARXIST STUDIES
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DATE: 3/1/61

On 2/16/61, a catalogue of "The New York School for Marxist Studies" Spring Term, 1961, March 6 through May 5, was received through a confidential mailbox by SA ALAN W. MURDOCH. This item is being maintained as Exhibit 100-142782-184(4). The catalogue reflects the following schedule:

GENERAL CLASSES

MONDAY 6:30 - 8 P.M.
Starting March 6, 1961

✓ CURRENT PROBLEMS IN
MARXIST THEORY

DR. HERBERT APTHEKER

AN INTRODUCTION TO MARXISM
HENRY KLEIN

THE SOCIAL THOUGHT OF
SHAKESPEARE'S DRAMAS: II
SIDNEY FINKELSTEIN

1 - New York (100-94653) (VICTOR PERLO) (424)
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MONDAY 8:30 - 10 P.M.
Starting March 6, 1961

✓ THE UNITED STATES IN WORLD
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DR. HERBERT APTHEKER

HUMAN HISTORY

HENRY KLEIN

PAVLOV AND PSYCHOLOGY

JOSEPH LANE

THE PUERTO RICANS IN THE U.S.A.

JESUS COLON

TUESDAY 6:30 - 8 P.M.
Starting March 7, 1961

THE NEW NATIONS OF AFRICA AND
THE END OF COLONIALISM

WILLIAM L. PATTERSON

MONDAY 6:30 - 10 P.M. and
FRIDAY 6:30 - 10 P.M.
Starting March 6 & 10, 1961

THREE COMPONENTS OF MARXISM

MONDAY SAMUEL D'LONG

FRIDAY JONAH GLICK

FRIDAY 7:00 - 8:30 P.M.
Starting March 10, 1961

DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIALIST
THOUGHT AND ORGANIZATION

WILLIAM ALBERTSON

THE SOVIET-AMERICAN ECONOMIC
RACE

VICTOR PERLO

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SCOPE CLASSES

FRIDAY 7:00 - 8:30 P.M.
Starting March 10, 1961

ELEMENTS OF MARXISM
SAMUEL D'LONG

INTRODUCTION TO MARXISM
BETTY GANNETT

✓ CURRENT PRACTICES OF
SOCIALIST SOCIETIES
DR. HERBERT APTHEKER

TWENTIETH CENTURY AMERICAN
LITERATURE
BOB FORREY

FRIDAY 9:00 - 10:30 P.M.
Starting March 10, 1961

WHAT IS PHILOSOPHY?
DR. HOWARD SELSAM

A HISTORICAL MATERIALIST
APPROACH TO AMERICAN HISTORY: I
DR. HERBERT APTHEKER

HISTORY OF LOYALIST SPAIN
A. LINCOLN BRIGADE, VETERAN

PROBLEMS OF NATIONAL MINORITIES
JONAH GLICK, MORRIS SCHAPPES AND OTHERS

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-97167)

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ReBulet 12/12/56, advised that a review of each issue of "Political Affairs" should be made with a view of effecting probable identification of authors. In the event a probable identification is not made, it will be necessary for each office to open a case and conduct investigation to attempt to effect the identification and further to cause to be conducted such investigation as is necessary to determine if the individual should be included in the SI.

Copies of this letter are being designated for the NY files of the probable authors, who have written articles, letters and/or book reviews appearing in the February, 1961 issue of "Political Affairs." In the event the probable author or authors is determined to be residing in other than the NYC area, the office covering such residence is to be notified and a case file opened to determine if the probable author is to be included in the SI.

Listed below are the titles of articles, the pages of the articles and the names of the authors appearing in the February, 1961 issue of "Political Affairs."

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The U.S. in Today's World	5-61	GUS HALL
The Negro Liberation Movement Today	62-76	CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT
Salute to WILLIAM Z. FOSTER	77-82	ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN

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1-New York (100-84994) (GUS HALL) (415)

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✓ The Civil War Centennial	63-87	HERBERT APTHEKER

For the information of the Chicago Office, the article by CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT reviewed the efforts made in the United States in 1961, to advance the cause of Negro equality.

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (100-18209)
FROM : SA PAUL R. S. YATES
SUBJECT: CP OF ILLINOIS - PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS
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 - 1 - (Miss FINDER)
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Chicago, Illinois
February 23, 1961

On February 19, 1961, a meeting of the Freedom of the Press Committee was held in the Music Room, Fine Arts Building, 410 South Michigan, Chicago.

In attendance were:

FLO HALL
Mrs. FINDER and daughter
HERBERT APTHEKER
CONNIE NEUHAUS
RUTH EPSTEIN and husband

✓ APTHEKER was introduced and he spoke on a Marxist view of the Civil War. He said the Civil War Centennial is being celebrated incorrectly. Misleading interpretations, almost apologies, and white-washing of the Confederate activities are taking place. The people promoting the Centennial celebration are absolutely neglecting the role of the Negro. If it weren't for the fighting of the Negro soldiers together with the white shooting other white men, the North could not have won the Civil War.

CASTRO is criticized for confiscating private property, but LINCOLN, with the stroke of a pen, confiscated thousand of dollars worth of private property by freeing the slaves. Also President KENNEDY could, with the stroke of a pen, freeze federal funds to educational institutions which are segregated.

APTHEKER stated that aggression always begins with a counter-revolution by reactionaries which in turn creates a real revolution which eventually defeats and destroys the reaction that began it.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C40)(421)

DATE: 3/1/61

FROM: SA ROGER O'MARA (421)

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A copy of informant's report follows:

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Date of report Feb. 1, 1961

The Bronx County Committee held a regular meeting on Wed. Jan. 25, at the home of AL NAIDICH on [REDACTED]

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The following people were at this meeting MIMI FRIEDLANDER, EDITH ROSENBERG, BEN BORDOFSKY, SAL, AL PAULA SAM NESSIN, AL NAIDICH, CARRIE SCHREIBER, NAN DICKMAN, BEN CHASNOFF, and the young girl from the North east (Allerton) Section who attended the previous County Committee meetings, who goes by the name of ELAINE.

Before giving the main and only report, on the recent National Convention meeting, which was held on Sat. and Sun. Jan. 21, and 22, MIMI made a few remarks.

There are many state problems on reorganization, the Worker finances, the new set up from club to state and press.

These will be taken up at the next County Committee meeting, and after much discussion the date was set for Wed. Feb. 8, at AL NAIDICH's house.

Before MIMI gave her report, BEN said that the last session of the County class, which was to be held this Friday Jan. 27, might have to be postponed, because a few people indicated they were unable to attend.

It is also possible that the speaker, BETTY GANNET would not be able to attend, in any event he would contact each one of the people and let them know when and where the next class would be held.

EDITH urged everyone to make sure that registration is completed by the next County Committee meeting, and also if anyone has any outstanding fund drive money to turn it over to MIRIAM SINGER as soon as possible, so that we can begin our new fund drive, which already gotten under way, but which cannot begin

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until the old one is finished.

MIMI reported that at the recent National Committee meeting, held over the last weekend, the main report, by GUS HALL lasted about three or three and one half hours, and this was followed by two other reports, one by JIM JACKSON and the other by ELIZABETH G. FLYNN.

GUS spoke on the recent conference in November, in Roumania, by the 81 Socialist and Communist Parties around the events which were happening all over the world.

As MIMI said there are 86 Parties in the world by only 81 actually took part in this conference, because the other 5 were barred from participating because of existing laws in their respective countries, the U.S. being one of these, but this does not mean that people from these Parties did not participate.

At this conference the outcome saw a complete unified agreement on all phases of discussion, the main objective of which was that peace can be maintained in this era of Capitalism. This form of Capitalism is still the dominating force in the world even though it is on the decline, due to the many unified forces of Socialism in the world today.

The best example of this is the recent session of the U.N. which saw the U.S. suffer many setbacks, the reason for this, that the many new forces admitted into the U.N. backed the Socialist forces around many issues. At this session it was shown that the U.S. is not the strongest force in the world today, the Soviet Union is forging ahead on every level.

There is much unrest in the U.S. the unemployment situation, around education, on foreign policy, the cost of living still rising, inflation etc. the tug boat strike are only a few issues around which the forces of Capitalism are involved in.

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One of the main issues discussed, at great lengths, and the outcome of which saw a complete unity at this conference was that war is not inevitable, it can be prevented, and is not necessary as some people in the world think.

MIMI emphasized that GUS departed from his speech to urge every club to organize around the many issues, especially on unemployment, the complete A.F.L. C.I.O. program for a shorter 30 hour work week, for an extension of the unemployment benefits and an lengthening of the time to receive these benefits.

The Puerto Rican, Negro peoples movement, and the full support of the Cuban revolution is a must in this period and the Community must become the center of all or most of these problems and everyone must work towards this goal.

MIMI, also departed from her report to praise President KENNEDY for his wonderful talk on radio, especially around the issue of Laos, where he advocated a neutral government to take over the unrest that is in that county.

She praised his selection of the Cabinet members, his foreign policy speech and if this continues we can exert pressure on many important issues which will arive from time to time.

MIMI said that the main task for the Communist Party in the United States today is to maintain peace at all cost, and if necessary to fight for it.

In referring back to GUS HALL speech, MIMI pointed out that the U.S. still has many oversea bases which she must give up, the people must check more closely how the government spends its money, examine the situation in Cuba, urge the U.S. remove its base from that Island, urge American imperialist to cease their exploitation of the other South American countries and let them work out their own problems.

At home the fight for Negro rights and their right to wage a continued struggle in the South to integrate must be

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supported, and President KENNEDY must issue an executive order ban___ all resistance against them.

A new attempt must be made to repeal the various Anti-Communist Smith Act, McCarran Act, etc. at this session of Congress.

In conclusion, there must be instilled in the Party today a new atmosphere in line with the 17 National Convention and every officer and member of the Party must become active in the community, in local P.T.A. political organizations, fraternal organizations etc. and be in constant contact with the masses and around every struggle.

MIMI briefly announced that final action was taken around the expulsion of ALEXANDER BITTLEMAN, for his flagrant violation of disobeying Party rules, also that HOMER CASE was removed from the National Committee, he comes from New England, and that WILLIAM WEINSTONE was admitted to the National Committee.

✓ On announcements BEN CHASNOFF said that on Sunday June 29, at the Cultural Center on 174 St. and Boston Road, HERBERT APTHEKER was going to speak on the Marxist Analysis of the Cuban Revolution. The meeting would start at 7 30 P.M.

MIMI gave SAL some Worker affair tickets for Friday March 3, at Carnegie Hall.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C1957) (422)

Date: 3/2/61

FROM : SA ROBERT P. SMITH (422)

SUBJECT: CROWN HEIGHTS SECTION, KCCP
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1 - New York (100-80334) [REDACTED] (422)
1 - New York (100-117724) [REDACTED] (422)
1 - New York (100-128314) (CP, USA, NYD-FUNDS) (414)
1 - New York (100-140856) [REDACTED] (422)
1 - New York (100-92008) [REDACTED] (422)
1 - New York (100-73516) [REDACTED] (422)
1 - New York (100-101936) [REDACTED] (422)
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1 - New York (100-128817) (CP, USA, NYD-MEMBERSHIP) (414)
1 - New York (100-23825) (BEN DAVIS) (415)
1 - New York (100-128822) (CP, USA, NYD-EDUCATION) (414)
1 - New York (100-80532) (HERBERT APTHEKER) (415) *PS 4*
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1 - New York (100-133903) (CP, USA, NYD-CP ATTEMPTS TO
INFILTRATE MASS ORGANIZATIONS) (414)
1 - New York (100-102697) (COMINFIL MASS ORGS.) (41)
1 - New York (100-80635) (CP, USA-JEWISH ACTIVITIES) (415)
1 - New York (100-111609) [REDACTED] (422)
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Identity of Source:

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Description of info:

Meeting of Peace Club,
Crown Heights Section, KCCP,
2/6/61, at [Redacted]
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Date Received:

2/7/61

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A copy of informant's report follows:

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On 2/6/61, a meeting of the Peace Club, Crown Heights Section, Kings County CP, was held at the residence of JOE and YVONNE NAHEM, [REDACTED]

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All the following people were present and paid their February dues:

YVONNE NAHEM
OLGA ALPER
MILLIE CORBEN
CHAIM SULLER
LEO RABOUINE
ROSE SOBEL

At the suggestion of ROSE SOBEL, the meeting nights of the Peace Club were changed to the second and fourth Mondays of the month.

At the next meeting of the Peace Club, MILLIE CORBEN is scheduled to give a report on Sections 1, 2, and 3 of the 81 Party Conference Report.

It was announced that there will be a Crown Heights Section meeting on 2/7/61 to discuss holding Section membership meetings more often. It was pointed out that the recent Section meeting that BEN DAVIS attended was well attended, and that it would be for the good of the Section if the membership got together more often.

ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN is scheduled to speak during the evening of 2/10/61, at 1110 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, N.Y., and her topic will be her recent trip to the Soviet Union. This affair will not be open to the public, and will be by invitation only.

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✓ On Thursday, 2/9/61, the Crown Heights class will meet to hear HERBERT APTHEKER discuss "The Domestic Scene Since Inauguration."

CHAIM SULLER said that plans are in the works for a "Daily Worker", and that funds have been set aside to buy a printing press which will be installed in the basement at 35 East 12th Street, New York City.

YVONNE NAHEM mentioned the work in Tenant Groups, and pointed out that these groups are all working separately. She called on the Party to sponsor a city-wide conference to co-ordinate this work. She said that her mass organizational work is being performed in Tenant Groups.

CHAIM SULLER said that his mass organizational work is being done in Jewish cultural organizations, and he mentioned that he is a member of the Party's Jewish Commission. He is to give a report on the Jewish Question at the Peace Club meeting to be held on the fourth Monday in March, 1961.

MILLIE CORBEN said that both PETE BEVERIDGE and his wife, HORTENSE, are delinquent in their dues. She said that PETE is paid up to August, 1960, and his wife is paid up to January, 1960.

OLGA ALPER agreed to and was appointed temporary Press Director of the Peace Club, with the stipulation that after a few months, if she doesn't like it, she can give it up. She was the logical person to appoint to this post as she had no outside club activities, and participates in no mass organizational work.

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No dissemination is being made to the file of ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN inasmuch as her talk scheduled for 2/10/61, at 1110 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, has been well publicized and reported before. Dissemination of this memo would not add anything substantial to her file.

SAC, CHICAGO (100-25191)

March 2, 1961

SA ROBERT O. MURPHY

FREEDOM OF THE PRESS COMMITTEE
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✓ [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished to SA ROBERT O. MURPHY on February 15, 1961, an announcement from SAM KUSHNER, editor, Midwest edition of "The Worker" in behalf of the Freedom of the Press Committee. This item is located in 100-25191-1A173. The item was addressed To All Worker Readers and Their Friends." It was announced that Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER would speak at a Worker Forum on Sunday evening, February 19, 1961, at 7:30 p.m. at the Fine Arts Building, 410 South Michigan, Chicago. It was shown that APTHEKER's topic would be "The Civil War Centennial - A Marxist View."

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1 - New York (100-

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1 - 100- 2748 (SAM KUSHNER)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532) (415) DATE: 3/6/61

FROM : SA JOSEPH V. WATERS

SUBJECT: HERBERT APTHEKER
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[redacted] has reported that on 2/28/61, HERBERT APTHEKER told GUS HALL that on behalf of a forum that "we" run in his neighborhood, he was inviting HALL to speak on Sunday, 3/19/61, at 8:00 p.m. HALL asked that he be given opportunity to check his schedule and advise on the following day, as he was to go out of town.

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On 3/1/61, RUTH SHULMAN informed APTHEKER that HALL was agreeable to speaking at the forum, and wanted to know details. APTHEKER said the forum is to be on 3/19/61, beginning at 8:00 p.m. The plan is for HALL to have dinner at the APTHEKER home, 32 Ludlan Place, Brooklyn, arriving at 6:30 p.m., proceeding from there to the meeting place as it is nearby.

1-NY (100-84994) (GUS HALL) (415)
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TO: SAC, ALBANY
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532) (415)
SUBJECT: HERBERT APTHEKER
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On 2/21/61, [] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished photographs of material maintained by New Century Publishers, 832 Broadway, NYC. b7D

Among the photographs was one of a letter dated 2/6/61, to APTHEKER from one WALTER TILLOW, Harpur College, Binghamton, NY. The let confirmed a scheduled appearance of APTHEKER as a speaker at Harpur College on 3/9/61 at 8 p.m.

On 3/8/61, [] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that APTHEKER remarked that he will leave for "upstate" on 3/9/61, and will return to NYC on 3/10/61. b7D

It is to be noted that HERBERT APTHEKER is the Editor of "Political Affairs".

Albany is requested, through established sources, to cover the appearance of APTHEKER at Harpur College on 3/9/61, and furnish the NYO results of any information developed.

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New York, New York
March 3, 1961

New York 100-80532

Re: Herbert Aptheker

At 7:00 p.m. on February 28, 1961, Herbert Aptheker delivered an address on the radio program "The Commentary Series" over FM Radio Station WBAI, New York City.

Recent issues of "Political Affairs", including the February, 1961 issue, list Herbert Aptheker as its Editor.

The April, 1960 issue of "Political Affairs" identified itself as "A Theoretical and Political Magazine of Scientific Socialism".

While under direct examination as a defense witness in the United States versus Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, Et Al, Criminal Docket C 135-7, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, on October 20, 1952, Elizabeth Gurley Flynn testified that "Political Affairs" is the theoretical organ of the Communist Party of the United States and has been so since the magazine was "set up" in 1945.

"The Worker", an East Coast Communist weekly newspaper, in its issue dated January 3, 1960, identified Elizabeth Gurley Flynn as a Vice Chairman of the Communist Party of the United States.

The radio announcer stated that "The Commentary Series" introduces commentators who give their individual viewpoints on current issues. The announcer then introduced Herbert Aptheker.

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Re: Herbert Aptheker

The following, in essence, is the address of Aptheker:

Aptheker stated that he wanted to express certain thoughts concerning the current celebration of the centennial of the American Civil War. He characterized it as an orgy of Chauvinism, an apology for treason and a celebration of counterrevolution.

Aptheker said that the truth about the Civil War hammers home the following points:

1. The real threat to the American republic lies in the forces of reaction. The first families of the South were responsible for the first attempt to overthrow the government.
2. The basic defenders of the republic were the producing masses, both black and white.
3. The oppression of the Negro people is a matter of basic principle and its existence has been central to American history.
4. Racism has been destructive of national strength and the popular welfare.
5. In the Civil War, the contributions of the Negro were absolutely decisive in the ultimate victory of the North.
6. Policies of patience, compromise, gradualism are disastrous and are devices for the continuation of oppression.
7. Negro-white unity contributed to the winning of the Civil War.
8. Decisive governmental acts are needed to fight oppression.

Re: Herbert Aptheker

9. During the Civil War, the broadest possible unity was needed and was achieved.

10. The sharply divided character of the South was clearly shown during the War.

11. International solidarity was an outstanding feature of the Civil War.

12. Marxist component was present and played an honorable role in the War. Communists as Communists fought in the Union armies and Marxists had been part of the abolitionist movement.

13. The Civil War amendments were revolutionary acts and constituted important precedents.

14. The Civil War began as a counterrevolutionary attempt and ended as a revolutionary development.

Finally, the full potential of the revolutionary content in the War was aborted. It remains for our generation to complete that revolution.

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-123974)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532)

HERBERT APTHEKER

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Enclosed herewith are seven copies of a
letterhead memorandum concerning a radio broadcast made
by HERBERT APTHEKER at 7:00 p.m. on 2/28/61 over FM
Radio Station WBAI, NYC.

2 - Bureau (100-123974) (Encls. 7) (RM)
1 - New York (100-80532)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532)

HERBERT APTHEKER
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ReBulet, dated 2/24/61.

Relet instructed the NYO to monitor a regularly scheduled broadcast by HERBERT APTHEKER over FM Radio Station WBAI, NYC.

By letter dated 3/3/61, the NYO reported APTHEKER's broadcast of 2/28/61.

On 2/21/61, [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished photographs of material maintained by New Century Publishers, 832 Broadway, NYC. (C) (U)

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Among these photographs is a letter, with the letterhead, "WBAI," dated 2/6/61, addressed to HERBERT APTHEKER and signed by one GENE BRUCK, Program Director. (C) (U)

This letter reads as follows: (C) (U)

"We take pleasure in inviting you to take part in the WBAI Commentary Series. As you know the program is 15 minutes in length and will be broadcast at 7:00 pm and rebroadcast at 10:00 am the following morning. The date of the broadcast has been set for February 28; you may either broadcast 'live' or tape the program in advance. If you would prefer to tape the program, please let me know and I will make the necessary arrangements."

It would appear from the above letter that APTHEKER may have been scheduled to deliver only the broadcast on 2/28/61. (C) (U)

As instructed by the Bureau, the program will continue to be monitored and the results submitted to the Bureau by letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-84994)

3/1/61

SA DONALD E. HARTNETT

GUS HALL
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✓ On 2/13/61, [] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that BOB THOMPSON told GUS HALL that he just came from the "Parole Business" and won the right to publish the article. He said MARY KAUFMAN described it as being quite a precedent. HALL said THOMPSON should see HERB APTHEKER about publishing the article in the paper.

On 2/15/61, [] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that concerning PEGGY DENNIS, ELIZABETH HALL (who apparently doesn't care for PEGGY DENNIS) said she hopes that GUS won't have her in his hair all the time. GUS said he didn't think this would be the case, but that he had to treat her nice in spite of how he feels personally. ELIZABETH replied that GUS is always too nice to everyone and the next thing finds himself trying to solve their marital, social and economic problems. HALL laughingly described himself as the "Dorothy Dix" of the CP and promised ELIZABETH that he wouldn't get too involved with PEGGY DENNIS.

On 2/16/61, [] advised that SYLVIA KOLKO told ELIZABETH HALL of her plans to travel abroad with her mother (ESTHER FOSTER) who, she said, isn't feeling too well. She said their plans are to leave NYC, 6/13/61, aboard the "SS Liberte" and from Paris, take a train to Moscow. SYLVIA commented that her mother isn't looking forward to the trip. ELIZABETH HALL said she doesn't plan to leave (for Russia) until after June 27, 1961, since her son [] does not get out of school until then.

1-NY (100-27452) [] (415)
1-NY (100-80532) (HERB APTHEKER) (415)
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VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION ON SECURITY INDEX CARD

MEMORANDUM RE: DR. HERBERT EUGENE APTHEKER

Office File

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The following is the most recent place of employment, employment address, and residence address of the above subject as contained on the subject's Security Index Card.

Residence: 32 Ludlam Place, Bklyn, NY

Employment: Board of Editors, ~~1~~Mainstream

Address: 832 Broadway, NY, NY

Key Facility ☐ Yes ☒ No Detcom ☒ Yes ☐ No
 Security Flash ☒ Yes ☐ No Photo ☒ Yes ☐ No

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It is requested that the place of employment, address of employment, residence address of the subject, as well as the accuracy of the priority tabbing, be verified and the proper notations be made below. The absence of a photograph and posting of a Security Flash should be noted and efforts made to secure a photograph and determine the existence of a criminal record.

A physical description based on personal observation of the subject appears in serial

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Residence: 32 LUDLAM PLACE, BROOKLYN, N.Y.

Method of Verification: TELEPHONE CONTACT

Neighborhood Source:

Date: 3-14-61

Verified by SA: FRANCIS J. COSTIGAN

Employment: { EDITOR, "POLITICAL AFFAIRS"
 Address: } BOARD OF EDITORS, "MAINSTREAM"

832 BROADWAY,
NYCKey Facility: ☐ Yes ☒ No Date Checked: _____ Geographical Reference Number: _____Tab Detcom: ☒ Yes ☐ No

Method of Verification: PERSONAL OBSERVATION

Employment Source:

Date: 3-14-61

Verified by SA: FRANCIS J. COSTIGAN

FD-122 should be submitted to Bureau: ☐ Yes ☒ No

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MEMORANDUM
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-142782) DATE: 3/1/61

FROM : SA JOSEPH T. QUIGLEY (#414)

SUBJECT: NEW YORK SCHOOL FOR MARXIST STUDIES
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1 - NY 100-144036 (100 DAYS FOR PEACE COMMITTEE) (41)
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1 - NY 100-138492 [REDACTED] (422)
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1 - NY 100-144072 [REDACTED] (414)
1 - NY 100-143558 [REDACTED] (415)
1 - NY 100-80532 (HERBERT APTHEKER) (415)
1 - NY 100-54089 [REDACTED] (4)
1 - NY 100-13483 [REDACTED] (414)
1 - NY 100-135736 [REDACTED] (421)
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1 - NY 100-140634 [REDACTED]
1 - NY 100-136799 [REDACTED]
1 - NY 100-124415 [REDACTED] LNU, WF, [REDACTED] (412)
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1 - NY 100-124975 [REDACTED] LNU, WM, [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED] NYSMS, 2/10/61; per [REDACTED] (412)
1 - NY 100- [REDACTED] (PENNY LNU, WF, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] at NYSMS, 2/10/61; per [REDACTED] (412)
1 - NY 100 [REDACTED] (ROSLYN or ROSALIND LNU, WF, played a
stringed instrument at NYSMS forum,
2/10/61; per [REDACTED] (412)
1 - NY 100-142782 (41)

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Identity of Source	[redacted] who has furnished reliable info in the past (conceal)
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A copy of informant's written report follows:

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2/13/61

Talk by Dr. JULIO ALVAREZ DEL VAYO presented by The New York School For Marxist Studies on 2/10/61 at Hotel Sheraton - Atlantic, N.Y.C. (24th floor - Winter Garden room).

The program started at approximately 8:30 P.M. and was attended by about 450 people of all age groups. Among those in attendance was:

EARL SCOTT
LEE D'LUGIN
BETTINA APTHEKER
VIVIAN MOSER
SAM D'LONG
WALTER ROSS
HARVEY MIRSKY
HILDA - W.F.
DAVID - W.M.
CONRAD - W.M.
PENNY - W.F.

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A table had been set up at the back offering various pamphlets and books for sale. Handbills were available free which were issued by the 100 Days For Peace Committee. Petitions were available for signing; these petitions were to President KENNEDY asking that nuclear weapons not be given to NATO countries. The list of classes for the Spring Term of The New York School For Marxist Studies were also distributed free. Sitting on the stage were, in addition to Dr. DEL VAYO, HERBERT APTHEKER, Mr. GLICK (also of The New York School For Marxist Studies) and a young lady named ROSLYN (or ROSALIND) who entertained by playing a stringed instrument.

✓ After Dr. DEL VAYO's speech concerned with the present situations in Spain today and the fight against Facism in that country, Mr. GLICK introduced Dr. APTHEKER.

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who outlined the position of the United States towards FRANCO Spain and quoted various reports and statements of recent history which were in the nature of warnings about FRANCO and showed how these statements et al, had gone unheeded.

✓ After his speech, Dr. APTHEKER took a collection and later announced that it had been very successful. He announced that \$50.00 were going to be disposed of in any manner determined by Dr. DEL VAYO.

After everyone had entered the auditorium at the start of the program, a short conference (about 15 minutes) was held by BETTY GANNETT with MARV. MARKMAN and MIKE STEIN in the corridor outside the room. Later, during Dr. DEL VAYO's talk MIKE STEIN motioned to NORMIE BERKOWITZ to step outside as Mr. STEIN wanted to speak to Mr. BERKOWITZ and Mr. STEIN could not stay after the program. About 15 minutes later Mr. BERKOWITZ reentered the room and whispered to GENE YOUNG who then left the room while Mr. BERKOWITZ stayed in the room. Mr. YOUNG also returned about 15 minutes later.

The program ended with a question period conducted by Mr. GLICK and the program was finished at about 11:00 P.M.

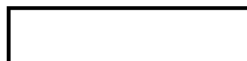
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SA GENE R. RALPH (423)

NEW YORK SCHOOL FOR MARXIST STUDIES
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Identity of Source:



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Description of info:

Invitation from NYSMS to
attend function at Hotel
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and 34th St., NY, NY, on
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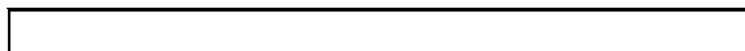
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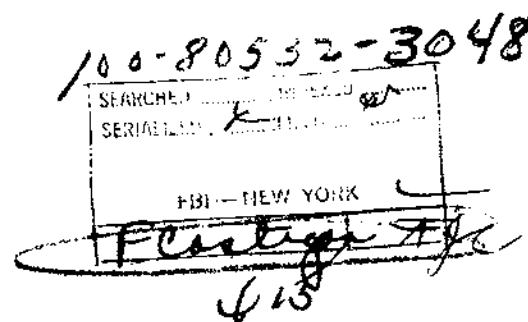
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- 1 - New York (100-5791) (DR. JULIO ALVAREZ DEL VAYO) (412)
- 1 - New York (100-80532) (HERBERT APTHEKER) (415)
- 1 - New York (100-142782) (41)

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on 2/21/61, made available the following invitation which he received on 2/2/61.

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Fascism's remaining stronghold is Spain and Portugal.

In both countries anti-fascist struggles have recently been increasing.

What is the situation in Spain now?

Dr. DEL VAYO, an outstanding leader in the immortal war of Republican Spain will analyze the new developments.

This promises to be a never-to-be-forgotten evening.

I hope to be able to greet you there.

Cordially,

HERBERT APTHEKER

The New York School For Marxist Studies
has the honor to present

Dr. JULIO ALVAREZ DEL VAYO

former Foreign Minister of the Spanish Republic (1936-39)
in a Talk on

Current Developments In Spain

on Friday Evening, February 10, 1961, at 8 p.m.
at Hotel Sheraton-Atlantic (Winter Garden)
Broadway and 34th Street, New York

Admission by this invitation only. Subscription \$1.00
This invitation will cover any guests accompanying you.

SAC, DETROIT (100-16890)

March 7, 1961

SA PERRY SEAY, JR.

CP, USA, EDUCATION
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Due to the sensitive nature of this source,
care should be utilized in disseminating this information.

✓ [] who has furnished reliable
information in the past, advised on February 18, 1961, that
he had learned from HELEN WINTER that Dr. APTHEKER (HERBERT
APTNEKER) had been over to her house on the morning of this
date to talk to Miss FLYNN (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN). HELEN
indicated that the discussion had lasted for an hour.
The informant could furnish no additional information
regarding the above, but it is to be noted that both
HERBERT APTHEKER and ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN were in Detroit
at this time and reportedly FLYNN was staying at the WINTER
residence.

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RECOMMENDATION

No further action necessary.

- 1 - 100-27522 (WILLIAM MC KIE MEMORIAL LIBRARY)
- 1 - 100-13740 (HELEN WINTER)
- 1 - 100-13420 (CARL WINTER)
- 1 - 100-21783 (GLOBAL BOOKS)
- 2 - New York (REGISTERED)
 - (1 - 100-80532 HERBERT APTHEKER)
 - (1 - 100-16890 ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (100-25191)

DATE: 3-8-61

FROM : SA H. SIDNEY NEEL, JR.

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE FOR FREEDOM
OF THE PRESS, Aka.
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On 2/21/61, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, provided written information pertaining to a CFP affair on 2/19/61. This information is maintained in [redacted] and is as follows:

(1 - New York (RM)
(100- [redacted]) (HERBERT APTHEKER)

[redacted]

(1-100-14644) ("The Worker")
(1-100-12459) (F. HALL)
(1-100-34010) [redacted]
(1-100-12890) [redacted]
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(1-100-7894) [redacted]
(1-100-35162) (COMINFIL - AANA)
(1-100-34291) [redacted]
(1-100-27070) [redacted]
(1-100-35127) [redacted]
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(1-100-37764) [redacted]
(1-100-37782) [redacted]
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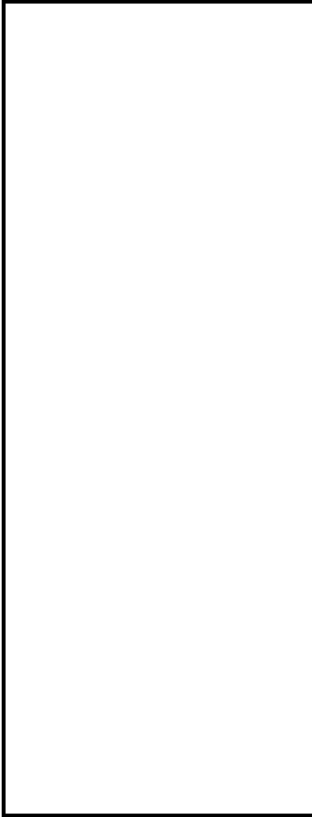
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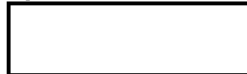
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(SAM KUSHNER)



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Chicago, Illinois
2/20/61

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On 2/19/61, the Spring Series of the Midwest Edition of "The Worker", on behalf of the Freedom of the Press Committee, presented Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER. Dr. APTHEKER's topic was "The Civil War Centennial, a Marxist View". Members of the FPC and other fellow members of the Communist Party (CP) took advantage of this public occasion to push, advertise and sell subscriptions to "The Worker" and step up "The Worker" circulation drive; such CP members seen selling "The Worker" were FLO HALL, CONNIE NEUHAUS, EARL DURHAM, SYLVIA and OTTO WANGERIN. LESTER WICKSTROM was seen obtaining signatures protesting LUMUMBA's slaying in an article appearing in the "Chicago Daily Defender", page 14, Thursday, 2/16/61. WICKSTROM was heard to say he was representing and working for the African-American Heritage Association (AAHA) to help push the protest of LUMUMBA's death and send said signed protests to United States Ambassador ADLAI STEVENSON, United Nations Headquarters.

Individuals recognized are as follows:

EARL DURHAM, Negro, on Platform, acted as Master of Ceremonies and introduced the guest speaker, Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER, as a dedicated Marxist, author and historian; as an authority of the nation's foremost students of the South and dedicated helper to the cause of the struggles of the Negro people.

Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER
HEDDA BASKER
PAUL CARPENTER
FRANCES CURRY and teen age daughter (white)
BESSIE CHOLL
LOUIS CHOLL
NELLIE DE SCHAAF
DOROTHY DAVIES
FRITZI ENGLESTEIN, Cashier at entrance
HARVEY EPSTEIN,
RUTH EPSTEIN,

JANE FENDER (ph) and mother seen previously at 1/27/61, ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN affair and described.

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LEO FISHER
ANNA FAIGEN

LILLIAN GEORGE, Negro woman with Negro husband,
first name unknown, could be DAVID GEORGE

MOLLY GOLD

TED GIBBS, Negro, wears dark, navy blue tam-o'shanter
French style cap.

LIZ GILBERT, tall, young Negro woman previously
seen at Garden Party of AL KIMMEL on August 6, 1960, and described.

DOROTHY HAYES

IRENE HALL

FLO HALL

MIKE HASSEN

SARAH JONES

AL KIMMEL

HARRY KOWALSKY

WINIFRED MC GILL

MARTIN MITCHELL

FRANK PELLEGRINO

BESSIE PELLEGRINO

PAULA REINGOLD

JOHN SILLIN, elderly man, active in Midwest Committee
for Protection of Foreign Born

CASMIR (ph) SIUBA

LULA SAFFOLD, Negro woman

MARCIA STARR

NATHAN SHARPE, Negro man

JESSIE L. SHERWOOD, young Jewish woman,

KAY SIMONSON

FRANCES VIVIAN

OTTO WANGERIN

SYLVIA WANGERIN

LESTER WICKSTROM (ph); white male; middle-aged;
medium weight and height; large, round flat face; wears glasses;
large forehead; thin, graying, crew cut hair, balding on top
center; fair, white skin; appears to be of the Nordic race,
Swedish or Norwegian or Danish; been seen often at other
Communist organization's meetings, picnics and socials; active
with Labor and Afro-American Heritage Association causes, etc.

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JOE ZAWADOWSKI

MILTON GILMORE, elderly Negro man

There were at least 30 more Negro men and women who have been seen often at other CP meetings, but names remain unknown.

An estimated mixed audience of about 150 attended.

The price of admission was \$1.00. No collection of any kind was taken.

✓ Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER, as a Marxist, lectured on the Civil War Centennial, a recount of the past giving the Negro race and Marxist participation on the side of the Negro struggles as definite factors of the victory of such Civil War; that even now in this present era, Marxists are playing a decisive part in recognizing the Civil and human rights denied to American Negro citizens in the North and South; that until such rights are recognized, respected and observed in the United States of America, the Civil War is not ended; that patience lost and wrath aroused by all Negro peoples of the world as well as those in the U.S. could bring about a disastrous war of racism and hatred worse than the tragic Congolese war now taking place in Africa. Dr. APTHEKER continued to ridicule and deplore our United States radio, television and newspaper press for ignoring the climax and events pertaining to Negro History Week, 2/11 through 2/19/61; that our U.S. press chose to give more attention to "Ground Hog" day as a more important annual event. Dr. APTHEKER recounted 15 leading points which dealt with courage, bravery and struggle of the American Negro in winning the Civil War and what its meaning could be in today's meaning of the present; that pressure and demand that these Civil Rights of the Negroes be carried out by our Government leaders, particularly the President, must be continued without relent; APTHEKER said that even without consent or authorization from Congress, President KENNEDY (with just a mere stroke of his pen) could sign a directive to withhold all financial aid to all Southern states or any schools in the United States that refused to carry out complete desegregation in all public buildings, libraries, schools and public housing; urged forceful, continued demand and pressure as weapons of ultimate victory on such issues.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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letter: also furnished the following mimeographed

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"THE WORKER
Room 806, 36 W. Randolph
Chicago, 1, Illinois
Randolph 6-9198

"TO ALL WORKER READERS AND THEIR FRIENDS.

"The 1961 Spring Series of WORKER FORUMS will open with a bang!

✓ "DR. HERBERT APTHEKER, who was received so enthusiastically last time he spoke before our Forum, and who is a big favorite with Midwest audiences will speak at this opening Forum.

"His topic will be -- 'The Civil War Centennial -- A Marxist View'

"The Forum will be held on SUNDAY EVENING, February 19th, 7:30 p.m.

"The place, as usual, will be the Fine Arts Building, 410 S. Michigan, in the Music Room. Admission will be One Dollar. Students will be admitted for fifty cents.

"Dr. Aptheker will be the ONLY speaker of the evening, and there will be ample time for the question and answer period. There will be NO COLLECTION at the meeting.

"Since we are in the midst of our WORKER CIRCULATION DRIVE, may we urge the members of the Freedom of the Press Committee and our many other supporters to turn in their subscriptions at the meeting. If YOU have not yet renewed your subscription, it might be well to do so at this meeting.

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"Radio, television and the newspapers are full of information ---- and misinformation ---- about the Civil War. Here is an opportunity to hear from one of America's foremost historians who is recognized as one of the nation's foremost students of the South and the struggles of the Negro people.

"He will do more than recount the past, in its true perspective. Dr. Aptheker will also discuss with us its meaning for TODAY.

"We can think of no better way for you to climax the events of NEGRO HISTORY WEEK than to attend the Worker Forum and hear Dr. Aptheker. Of course, feel free to invite your friends to join you in what promises to be a most stimulating and exciting evening.

"Since last speaking before our Forum, Dr. Aptheker has authored another book and has engaged in several successful lecture tours, including one in Europe. While he is in the Midwest he will also be speaking before other groups on Midwest Campuses.

"Please be present, and bring your friends, and remember that the Forums start at 7:30 p.m.

"Fraternally yours,

/s/ Sam Kushner

SAM KUSHNER

Editor, Midwest Edition, The Worker
in behalf of the FREEDOM OF THE PRESS
COMMITTEE"

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On 2/21/61, [] orally advised SA NEEL that EUGENE FELDMAN was also present at this affair and that the individual identified in the report as JANE FENDER (ph) has previously been reported as JEAN FENNER (ph).

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[redacted] also furnished on 2/21/61, a petition of the African-American Heritage Association, 102 East 35th Street, Suite 1, VI 2-1596, Chicago 16, Illinois, which petition was being passed by LESTER WICKSTROM. This petition is captioned "Action! Action! Action! Against Murder and War!" and consists of a reprint of an editorial from the "Daily Defender", Thursday, 2/16/61, page 14, entitled: "Lumumba's Savage Slaying". The petition states that the cause of LUMUMBA of African independence must go forward and "if you agree with the above, sign this, put in envelope and send to United States Ambassador ADLAI STEVENSON, United Nations Headquarters."

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This item is being retained in 100-35162-1A.

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PAULA REINGOLD, on 1/27/61, advised [redacted] that her phone number is [redacted] and her address is [redacted]

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The 1960-61 Chicago telephone directory lists ALFRED T. REINGOLD at this address and number.

[redacted] on 3/1/61, advised SA NEEL that LOUIS CHOLL is married to BESSIE CHOLL. He is a white male, 5'6" tall, heavy build, about 65 years old, hair is reddish gray, residence 2928 W. Madison Street, and business address is 4804 W. Van Buren Street.

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[redacted] on 3/1/61, advised JANE FENDER lives at [redacted] Receptionist at [redacted] [redacted] advised SA NEEL that one JANE FINDER is a resident. Pretext used was Station WFMT calling regarding correct spelling for mailing list.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-10989)

3/8/61

SA(A) ALPHONSE J. SUTKUS

NEW CENTURY PUBLISHERS
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On 2/21/61, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, made available to the NYO, information concerning the payroll of the New Century Publishers as of the week ending 2/17/61. The following is a listing of the persons on the payroll of subject firm at that time, together with their gross and net weekly pay rates:

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Gross weekly pay</u>	<u>Net weekly pay</u>
✓ JOSEPH FELSHIN	\$90.00	\$76.00
HERBERT APTHEKER	82.50	68.52
ISRAEL GILMAN,	77.50	64.97
LEON LOVE	77.50	62.17
FRIEDA NORMAN	70.00	60.80
MADELINE BRADSHAW	82.50	68.52
ISADORE WOFSY	25.00	24.12
ROBERT FORREY	77.50	62.17
LOUISE PATTERSON	75.00	65.65
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$657.50</u>	<u>\$553.72</u>

If the above information is to be used in reports disseminated outside the Bureau, it should be appropriately paraphrased to protect the identity of [redacted]

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1 - NY (100-45469) [redacted] (423)
1 - NY (100-80532) (HERBERT APTHEKER (415)
1 - NY (100-65352) [redacted] (424)
1 - NY (100-62847) [redacted]
1 - NY (100-82571) [redacted] 23)
1 - NY (100-117154) [redacted] (423)
1 - NY (100-19679) [redacted] 5)
1 - NY (100-141941) [redacted] 24)
1 - NY (100-24624) [redacted] (424)
1 - New York (100-10989)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (100-18209)

DATE: 3-9-61

FROM : SA RICHARD L. STRAIN

SUBJECT: CP, USA
ILLINOIS DISTRICT
PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS
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On 2/23/61, [redacted] ^(reliable) personally provided SA RICHARD L. STRAIN with a typewritten report dated 2/20/61. This report concerned an ~~am~~ ^{affair} sponsored by the Freedom of the Press Committee to hear HERBERT APTHEKER speak on the Civil War, which was held in Chicago on 2/19/61.

Recommendation:

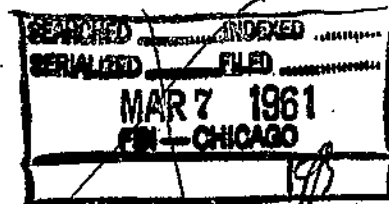
No immediate action necessary.

This report is maintained in [redacted]
[redacted] and reads as follows:

1 - New York (RM)
(100-) (HERBERT APTHEKER)

[redacted]
(1-100-25191) (Freedom of the Press Committee)
(1-100-12890) [redacted]
(1-100-38200) [redacted]
(1-100-24818) [redacted]
(1-100-12459) (FLO HALL)
(1-100-35925) [redacted]
(1-100-24010) [redacted]
(1-100-) (MAURICE BAILEN)
(1-100-) (JERRY GILBERT)
(1-100-13967) [redacted]
(1-100-3828) [redacted]
(1-100-34010) [redacted]
(1-100-3338) [redacted]

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✓ On 2/19/61, HERBERT APTHEKER spoke at a forum held in the Music Room of the Fine Arts Building, 410 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, at 7:30 p.m. and which forum was held under the auspices of the FPC. Admission was \$1.00 and approximately 135 people were in attendance. Literature was on sale by OTTO (LNU) of the Modern Book Store, who was assisted by a pock-marked fellow named PAUL who wore glasses. Among those in attendance were:

PAULA RYNGOLD
LEROY WOLINS
FLO HALL
BOB KOESTER
MARCIA STARR
MAURICE BAILEN
JERRY GILBERT and his girl friend
Mr. (FRANK) PELLEGRINO
CONNIE NEUHAUS
A Negro and his wife who figured in
recent housing riots
DAVID (ENGLESTEIN) of the Marxist Social
Science group
MAC, an elderly Negro wearing glasses who
resides on the South Side.

APTHEKER was introduced by a Negro wearing a mustache (EARL DURHAM) and spoke on the Civil War and the large role of the Negro in that war. APTHEKER deplored the ignoring of the Negro's role in the Civil War Centennial celebration and coverage in the "New York Times" was sarcastically quoted. He gave his version of the war including: Negro soldiers' refusal to accept pay less than white soldiers, which finally resulted in their getting the same wage; LINCOLN's Emancipation Proclamation freed slaves in Northern as well as Southern states; confiscation of private property by the state which set a precedent for CASTRO; The use of Negro soldiers alongside whites was considered impossible but when it became essential to win the war, it was easily accomplished.

APTHEKER stated that LINCOLN's decision to hang a slave smuggler was one of his few acts of execution but was necessary to stop once and for all, all of the illicit slave traffic. He stated that the South was behind LINCOLN's

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assassination and the assassination of the Vice President and Cabinet officials simultaneously, however, the latter failed. He stated that both big business and slave owners in both the North and South were in on the assassination plot.

A question and answer session followed APTHEKER's talk at which time PAULA RYNGOLD asked APTHEKER if he thought it necessary that all revolution be accomplished by violence. APTHEKER answered that although this had usually been the case in the past, the violence had always been initiated by the forces in power and not by the revolutionaries. He gave an example of the South in the Civil War and the British in the Revolutionary War. He stated that it seemed very possible that in the future the rightist forces might find that they did not have the means to produce the violence. Another question referred to LUMUMBA's murder and asked what effect it might have on the American Negro. APTHEKER answered that this would draw the Negro masses tighter together.

SAC, NEW YORK (100-142782)

3/9/61

SA PAUL THOMAS BAKER (42)

NEW YORK SCHOOL FOR
MARXIST STUDIES
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Identity of Source

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Description of info

NY School for Marxist Studies

Date Received

2/15/61

Original located

[REDACTED]

A copy of informant's report follows:

[REDACTED]
1 - New York (100-13483) [REDACTED] (415)
1 - New York (100-80532) (HERBERT APTHEKER) (422)
1 - New York (100-26448) [REDACTED] (42)
1 - New York (100-142782) (41)

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F. Costigan Jr.
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Wednesday Feb. 2, 1961

On Monday evening January 30th 1961 a male student at the New York School for Marxist Studies, 853 Broadway, New York, NY, appeared at the registration office, Room 1922.

✓ He wanted to enroll in a class titled "Peoples Capitalism under the instruction of BETTY GANNETT. He was informed that this class was discontinued on account of insufficient enrollment, and poor attendance. That if he wished, he could enroll in Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER's class, "Current Problems in Marxist History" or HENRY KLEIN's class "An Introduction to Marxism". After looking over the program of classes, said male student left informing the registrar that he would study the class programs. Time was 8:20 PM.

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3/9/61

SA BERNARD T. MC CABE (42)

NEW YORK SCHOOL FOR MARXIST STUDIES
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Description of info

Class at N.Y. School for Marxist
Studies on 1/27/61

Date Received

2/2/61

Original Located

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A copy of informant's report follows:

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1 - New York (100-142813) [REDACTED] (42)
1 - New York (100-142782) (41)

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F. Costigan
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1/27/61

On Friday evening 1/27/61 [redacted]
[redacted] were observed in Room 18F, 853 Broadway, NYC,
at which place a class of the New York School for Marxist
Studies was held.

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i The instructor of this class was HERBERT APTHEKER,
who introduced himself as director of the class. APTHEKER
announced that the lecture he was giving that night was
one of a series which was to be given for six consecutive
weeks and anyone interested in Marxism would be welcome to
attend. The title of the course is "Current Problems in
Marxist Theory".

In his lecture APTHEKER drew a parallel between
the seizure of the "SS Santa Maria" by a rebel group of
Portuguese citizens and the seizure of a Spanish ship in
the 1800's by a group of islanders from Cuba who were led by
a Negro. These islanders were suffering under the colonization
of Cuba by Spain. According to APTHEKER, the Spanish vessel
ultimately reached Long Island, NY, but nothing came of
the uprising of these Cubans. He praised the high moral
principles of the Negro leaders in this uprising and stated
that there were other examples in history of such high
morality.

He spoke of the American Civil War in which
many Confederate soldiers deserted to the Union Army because
they did not believe in slavery. He characterized segregation
as the filthy off-spring of slavery.

He added that the north fought against the south
in the American Civil War but neither side realized that they
were being exploited by England.

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[redacted] is a white, male, [redacted], about
[redacted] pounds, with medium build, [redacted]
[redacted] he is [redacted] and lives [redacted] He has had
[redacted] done sometime in the past.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-142782) (41)

FROM: SA SEBASTIAN S. MIGNOSA (424)

SUBJECT: NEW YORK SCHOOL FOR MARXIST STUDIES
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DATE: 3/10/61

Identity of Source

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Description of info

Info re 2/13/61, class at
N.Y. School for Marxist
Studies taught by Dr. APTHEKER

Date Received

2/14/61

Original Located

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1 - New York (100-80532) (DR. APTHEKER) (415)

1 - New York (100-142344) [REDACTED] (412)

1 - New York (100- [REDACTED]) (ISABELLE LNU) 412

1 - New York (100- [REDACTED]) (MARGIE LNU) 412

1 - New York (100- [REDACTED]) (ROSE APPOLLONI) 412

1 - New York (100-114924) [REDACTED] (424)

1 - New York (100- [REDACTED]) (STANLEY LNU) 412

1 - New York (100-143887) (CDS) (41)

1 - New York (100-144078) (WESTSIDE COMMITTEE FOR CUBA) (41)

1 - New York (100-142782) (41)

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F. Costigan Jr.

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2/14/61
New York, N.Y.

✓ Dr. APTHEKER taught his class, "American Social Thought," at the New York School for Marxist Studies on 2/13/61 from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

There were 4 females & 4 males in attendance including:

JACKIE HARRIS

ISABELLE LNU who has attended class in the past

MARCIE LNU, [REDACTED]

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ROSE APPOLLONI, [REDACTED]

LOUIS KRANES

STANLEY LNU [REDACTED]

APTHEKER at the beginning of class distributed the catalogue for the Spring term of the New York School for Marxist Studies which term is to run from March 6 to May 5.

He announced there would be no class February 20 and the last session of his class would be held on Feb. 27.

LOU KRANES asked if it would be permissible to sit in at one of the other classes and this permission was granted.

APTHEKER discussed WALTER LIPPMAN. He suggested the class read, "Essays on Public Philosophy."

According to APTHEKER, LIPPMAN sees:

1. Morbid conditions of Imperialism
2. Inevitability of Socialism

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According to APTHEKER LIPPMAN is an opponent of democracies in the name of liberalism.

APTHERER said Democracy assumes a popular capacity which does not exist.

After class LOU KRANES was observed selling tickets for a forthcoming meeting of the Committee for Democratic Spain. He was also observed speaking to ROSE APOLLONI about Spain and telling her that there was a committee being formed in her community which committee would attempt to better relations between Cuba and the U.S. APOLLONI expressed interest and indicated she would like to attend meetings of this committee.

KRANES was observed selling 2 tickets to MARGIE and STANLEY for the forthcoming meeting of the Committee for Democratic Spain.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532) DATE: 3/10/61

FROM : SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY (#414)

SUBJECT: HERBERT APTHEKER
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Identity of source [redacted] who has furnished reliable info in past (conceal) ^{b3}_{b7D}

Description of info Informant reported on a class in Problems in Marxist Theory on 2/13/61, HERBERT APTHEKER, instructor.

Date received 2/28/61

Received by SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY (written)

Original location [redacted]

A copy of informant's written report follows:

[redacted] (414) ^{b3}_{b6}

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1 - NY 100- (MARTY LNU, W,M) ^{b7C}_{b7D}

(1) NY 100-80532 (415)

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Problems In Marxist Theory

2/13/61

8:45 to 10:15pm

Academy Hall

13 present

The following were present:

- (1) HERBERT APTHEKER, teacher
- (2) HENRY REININGER
- (3) MARTY LNU, white male, [REDACTED]

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APTHEKER said this paragraph. The Marxist concept of freedom is the opposite of the bourgeois concept. APTHEKER asked the class to visualize the life of a slave before the Civil War. The slave was a piece of property, he could be bought and sold at the owner's wish, he needed permission to get married, 3 could not assemble together at one time, he could not read and write, he was worked as many hours as the master wished, he was not permitted to leave the grounds. Revolution is democratic, counter revolution not. For 150 years the British prime ministers either had their heads cut off, were exiled or were placed in the tower until Walpole. The Marxist concept of "Freedom" is organized not spontaneous like the bourgeois concept. An example of bourgeois freedom is a man in a boat in the middle of the ocean not knowing where he is or which way to turn. APTHEKER said that there will be no class next Monday, however the class will be held the following Monday.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532) DATE: 3/10/61

FROM : SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY (#414)

SUBJECT: HERBERT APTHEKER
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Identity of source [redacted] who has furnished reliable info in past (conceal)^{b3 b7D}

Description of info Informant reported on class "Current Problems In Marxist Theory" teacher HERBERT APTHEKER, 2/6/61

Date received 2/20/61

Received by SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY (written)

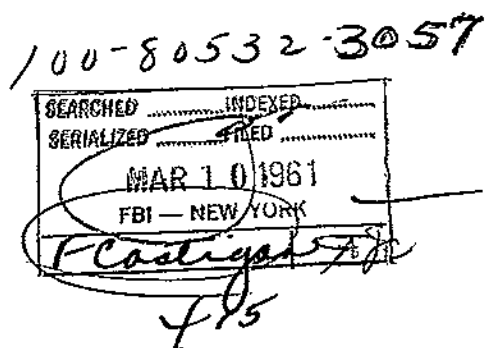
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Current Problems In Marxist Theory
2/6/61
8:45 to 10:15 pm
Academy Hall
19 present

The following were present:

- (1) HERBERT APTHEKER, teacher
- (2) CHARLES ROSEN
- (3) HENRY REININGER

The Bourgeois concept of freedom is "Absence from restraint". APTHEKER said this paragraph. The government should not interfere between the employer and the employee. APTHEKER related what happens in a coal mining operation. The employee and employer get together and freely agree on a wage of 3 dollars a day. The employees must not get together and organize, that is unfair and criminal. APTHEKER mentioned the book "Men at the Top"; in the book the writer asks one top executive about the men at the top. The executive answers that there is a difference between a work horse and a race horse, a race horse is born to race and a work horse is born to work; the same is true with the bosses and workers. The government is for the protection of private property according to the Bourgeoisie. "Let things alone" is what monopoly capitalism wants. APTHEKER said that he is a member of the National Committee of the Communist Party. The Communist Party declined in numbers from 80,000 to about 10,000 at the present time because of a number of reasons, including the Mr. K. revelations, the Hungary uprising, and many mistakes made by the CPUS.

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Date ~~March 10, 1961~~The following were among those

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by ~~SA-ANTHONY E. CONSTANTINO:mcc~~

Date dictated

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1 - ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN (100-1696)

1 - Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER (100-16707)

1 - Boston (RM) [REDACTED] (100-13460)

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1 - 100-15868 (PAMPHLETS & PUBLICATIONS)

[REDACTED]

1 - 100-11609 [REDACTED]

1 - 100-15841 ("THE WORKER")

1 - 100-12287 (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN)

1 - 100-9134 [REDACTED]

1 - 100-807 [REDACTED]

1 - 100-8482 [REDACTED]

1 - 100-21363 [REDACTED]

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TO : SAC, DETROIT

DATE: March 3, 1961

FROM : SA T. S. KLIMASZEWSKI

SUBJECT: GLOBAL BOOKS
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Informant : [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, protect

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Material Furnished: Literature

Date Received : January 31, 1961

Received By : SA LEONARD F. KURTZ

Location : [REDACTED]

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The Informant furnished two pieces of literature itemized as follows:

Item #1

One letter on "The Worker-Michigan Edition" stationery indicating the address is 1442 Griswold, Room 303, Detroit 26, Michigan. The letter is addressed to "Dear Reader and Friend"

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and reflects that ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN will speak in Detroit on Friday night, February 3, 1961, at the Hartford Educational Center, 6312 Hartford, Detroit. This affair is under the auspices of "The Volunteers-The Worker."

Item #2

One throwaway indicating that the Global Books Forum fourth meeting of the season will feature Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER "Specialist In Negro History and Author of 'America's Racist Laws Negro History: Its Meaning for Our Time.'" He will speak on "The Rising Tide of Racial Equality", on Friday, February 17, 1961, at 8:00 p.m., in the Italian Room of the Hotel Tuller, Grand Circus Park and Bagley, Detroit, Michigan. Contributions are \$1.00; students \$.50. The throwaway also indicates that the next forum date is March 24, 1961, at which time Dr. SCOTT NEARING will speak.

[redacted] orally advised SA LEONARD F. KURTZ on January 31, 1961, that BILLY ALLAN ordered 300 copies of Item #1 at the Chene Printing Company. He also ordered 1,000 copies of the same form with only the letterhead portion appearing thereon. b7D

In regard to Item #2, CONRAD KOMOROWSKI had 1,500 copies printed at the Chene Printing Company.

Source also stated that on January 30, 1961, TOMMY DENNIS ordered 500 pink pledge cards at the Chene Printing Company billed to the Communist Party. The cards will have six months printed at the top and spaces for six months at the bottom and the words "I pledge \$ _____ per month Thru _____"

19 _____" appears in the center of the card. Alongside the card will be a space for a signature. No identifying information appears on the card as to the purpose.

The source also stated that on January 30, 1961, BILLY ALLAN discussed with BOB DIXON about reproducing an unidentified magazine containing forty or more pages. This job will be done on a monthly basis.

RECOMMENDATION

That information contained herein be considered at the next time a report is prepared on individuals and/or organizations mentioned.

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HERBERT APTHEKER
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A documentation of NCP is contained in "The Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications."

Enclosed herewith is a photographic copy of a letter dated 7/29/60, to "Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER" from one "CLARENCE J. MUNFORD, Jr."

HERBERT APTHEKER is the editor of the magazine, "Political Affairs."

POLITICAL AFFAIRS

The April, 1960 issue of "Political Affairs" identified itself as "A Theoretical and Political Magazine of Scientific Socialism."

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An easy test of the validity of this position can be made. Ask one hundred white Americans to identify Robert E. Lee and no doubt all or nearly all of the one hundred would be able to do so. But ask the same one hundred Americans to ~~identify Frederick Douglass~~ to identify Frederick Douglass and if you get more than five to succeed I shall be most pleasantly surprised. Yet, by any test, in terms of character, mental capacity, and service to country and to mankind, it seems to me that there can be no real question but that Frederick Douglass completely overshadows Robert E. Lee. Is this not a form of mis-education and is not censorship a major element in this process of mis-education?

I would suggest that all our texts, in all fields, need careful re-examination and extensive revision with these considerations in mind; this need not result, necessarily, in exclusion, but it should result in explanations, where these may be appropriate, and in a much broader range of selection with the explicit purpose of combatting racism.

Very truly yours,

Herbert Aptheker

32 Audlam Place
Brooklyn 25, N.Y.
29 December, 1960

The Editor
N.Y. HERALD TRIBUNE
New York City

Dear Sir:

I write with reference to your editorial, dated December 29, 1960, "Keeping the Censors Out of the Schools." This editorial refers to the objections raised by the Torrington, Connecticut NAACP against certain anti-Negro writings of Edgar Allan Poe and Joel Chandler Harris which were included in a high-school English text. You express "sympathy" with "the feelings of colored children", but alarm lest such sympathy and the objections raised by the NAACP might result in censorship or even, as you write, "book-burning."

Your argument includes the position that "the 19th century is an historical fact" and that "slavery existed, and all that went with it, including a goodly body of literature." Hence, you desire all this--"historical fact" and body of literature[^] to be freely taught. May I call your attention to an assumption here which, when faced, undercuts your argument? Your assumption is that the "facts" concerning slavery and the whole body of literature are indeed freely and fully taught in our schools. But this assumption is false, and your battle against censorship is quite belated.

There has in fact been ^{all the time is} censorship, ~~and it has been going on since~~ and this censorship operates to belaud the truth about slavery and to present in a very one-sided manner the "body of literature" produced in the 19th century. Efforts to eliminate racism do not represent censorship; they are part of the struggle against ^{that} censorship which has helped create and sustain the racism.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532)

DATE: 3/13/61

FROM : SA FRANCIS J. COSTIGAN

SUBJECT: HERBERT APTHEKER
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Attached herewith is a photograph of a letter dated 12/29/60, to "The Editor, New York Herald Tribune" from "Herbert Aptheker."

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HERBERT APTHEKER
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Dr. APTHEKER is HERBERT APTHEKER, the editor of the magazine, "Political Affairs."

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HERBERT APTHEKER
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On 3/2/61 at File # NY 100-10939

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by SA ANTHONY E. CONSTANTINO:mec Date dictated 3/8/61

OFFICE MEMORANDUM
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-36184) (421)

DATE: 3/10/61

FROM: SA DONALD P. ADAMS (42)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] whose identity should be concealed, on 2/21/61, orally advised SA DONALD P. ADAMS that the above captioned subject, who holds a substitute teacher's license in the New York City schools, was interviewed [REDACTED] on 1/24/61, [REDACTED] at 131 Livingston St., Brooklyn, N.Y.

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According to [REDACTED] in connection with her recent application for regular teaching status, the above captioned subject sent a letter to the New York City Board of Education requesting to be apprised of any information which the board felt might reflect upon her loyalty. The subject was subsequently invited to come [REDACTED] to discuss the matter. A summary of the results of the interview during which the subject was not under oath is set out under appropriate captions below:

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- 1 - New York (100-140878) (YOUTH COMMITTEE TO ABOLISH UN-AMERICAN COMMITTEE) (41) (P.3)
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- 1 - New York (100-134920) (SCOPE) (414) (P.2)
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- 1 - New York (100-136604) [REDACTED] (422) (P.2)
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- 1 - New York (100-22929) [REDACTED] (4) (P.3)
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- 1 - New York (100-137629) [REDACTED] (424) (P.4)
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1 - New York (100-136858) [REDACTED] (P.4)
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1 - New York (100-) [REDACTED] (421) (P.5)
1 - New York (100-138029) [REDACTED] (424) (P.4)

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United Festival Committee

Attended 7th World Youth Festival in Austria, July 26-August 4, 1959, and subsequently travelled to the Soviet Union. Secured passport in April, 1959, and arrangements for tour in the USSR were made at the New York Festival office ahead of time. Prices for tour ranged from \$75 to \$90 for nine day tours which were of several types for different time periods but all involved travel in the Soviet Union. A group visa was arranged and entry was made at Kiev.

Prior/^{to} attending the World Festival in Vienna, the subject as well as LEN POTASH and wife, ESSIE and BARBARA WENGROFSKY spent several days in Rome.

Subject's passport was not out of her possession except for about 15 minutes in Moscow where JEAN HUBBARD, (has known about 3 years) on the last day of the tour in Moscow lost a portfolio containing her (HUBBARD's) passport and travellers checks. Subject accompanied HUBBARD to the American Embassy in Moscow where subject's passport was stamped and HUBBARD's travel problem was handled by Embassy personnel who were described by subject as being very accommodating.

Subject participated in meeting in fall of 1959 at a hall on Allerton Ave., Bronx. Claims no knowledge of group sponsorship of meeting which was held to discuss anti-semitism in Moscow. Claims she saw no anti-semitism while in Russia.

New Horizons

This publication is sent to her home though she is not a subscriber.

Scope

Has attended Scope classes intermittently during past several years.

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Youth Committee to Abolish HCUA

Has attended meetings and believes the House Committee on Un-American Activities should be abolished.

Sane

Is sympathetic but is not a member and would not hesitate to join and support their work.

Camp Lakeland-Kinderland

Has spent time at Kinderland during summers from 1945 on and from 1953 on served as counselor there including the past summer (1960) where she worked till August then travelled to England, France, and Italy. She also worked at Kinderland during the summer of 1959 prior to going to the World Youth Festival.

Teachers Union

Has been affiliated with Teachers Union since early 1959 and consulted with ABE LEDERMAN of the Teachers Union prior to coming to the 1/24/61, interview regarding Board procedure. LEDERMAN told her "You initiated this so go on in [redacted] you under oath you ask for adjournment until you get an advisor."

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Communist Party

Denies any current or past affiliation with the CP stating she has never knowingly attended CP meetings or paid dues and does not want to join any organization which might jeopardize her teaching position.

Advance

Denies any affiliation with Advance although she has been asked to join by both JAKE ROSEN and MARVIN MARKMAN. Recalls

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attending meeting at the Broadway Central Hotel in early 1959 but did not participate as a member of anything. She knew that HERBERT APTHEKER was there and thought JAKE ROSEN was there also.

Miscellaneous

Admits being in contact with the following on one or more occasions during the past several years in connection with her interest in "Youth Activities:"

CARLA MC GOWAN (presently pregnant)

AL MC GOWAN

JAKE ROSEN (asked her to join Advance)

MARVIN MARKMAN (asked her to join Advance)

WILLIAM MC ADOO (never liked MC ADOO; understands that sometime ago he was singing with some group in Greenwich Village)

ROCHELLE SCHIFF (recently had child) SCHIFF lived with subject for a while in 1959 and was "once" sweet on BILL MC ADOO but other stories circulated about SCHIFF were untrue.

LEN POTASH (attended World Youth Festival)

ESSIE APPEL (attended World Youth Festival)

JEAN HUBBARD (attended World Youth Festival and is believed by subject to have been married since her return from the Festival)

BARBARA WENGROFSKY (attended World Youth Festival)

MORTIMER RUBIN (knows who he is but does not know RUBIN personally)

MARTIN KROOP (describes KROOP as an "idiot"; not presently using his substitute license and has been unable to locate him at his old address)

Descriptive data concerning subject

follows:

Name

Residence

Race

Sex

White

Female

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Height
Weight
Hair
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Employment



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Parents

New York City Board of
Education (holds substitute
teaching license)
Father, [redacted] still
living and formerly employed
by [redacted]

[redacted] stated that subject [redacted]

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[redacted] that she was not under oath
and perhaps felt that [redacted] many of her activities
during the past several years. [redacted] feels that the interview
may have dampened subject's enthusiasm for "causes" as she becomes
increasingly interested in furthering her own teaching career and
hesitates to engage in activity which might place it in jeopardy.

[redacted] stated that no further action is contemplated
by his office in this matter and requests that his identity be
fully protected in connection with any dissemination of information
set out in the foregoing.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532)

DATE: 3/13/61

FROM : SA WALTER C. ZINK, #12

SUBJECT: HERBERT APTHEKER
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On 3/9/61, Mr. JOSEPH CALLAHAN, Passport Agency, US State Department, 630 5th Avenue, NYC, made available subject's application for renewal of his passport, No. 1273187, issued 12/10/58. The application was dated 3/6/61, and reflects his home address as 32 Ludlam Place, Brooklyn, NY, from 7/31/15, Brooklyn, and in an emergency notify his wife, FAY P. APTHEKER, same address.

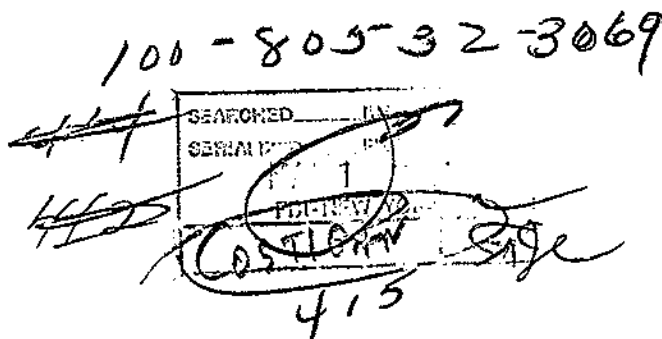
✓ He intends to depart NYC via KLM in April, 1961, for one month pleasure and education trip visiting England, France and Italy and expects to take another trip within one year.

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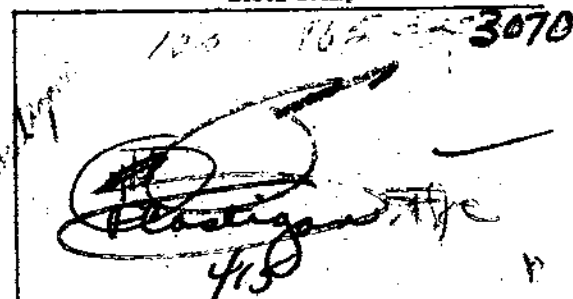
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✓ On 1/28/61, at a meeting held at 4730 Kimbark, Chicago, Illinois, at which Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, a member of the National Committee of the CP-USA, spoke, mimeographed throwaways were passed out, advertising a speech by Dr. Herbert Aptheker, who would speak 2/19/61 at the Fine Arts Building located at 4110 South Michigan, Chicago, Illinois. Aptheker was to speak on "The Civil War Centennial - a Marxist View," and the speech was to be under the auspices of the Freedom of Press Committee.

January 31, 1961
Room 431, Vincent House
1005 East 60th St.
Chicago 37, Ill.

Dr. Herbert Aptheker
New Century Publishers
832 Broadway
New York 3, New York

Dear Dr. Aptheker:

In the last few years, there has been a marked resurgence of student movements, most notable in the areas of civil rights and civil liberties. Many new student groups have been formed during this period. Some are ad hoc committees designed to handle specific issues. Others, like POLIT, are formed out of splits in existing organizations over the policy towards these new political movements.

Until January 29, the two major parties at the University of Chicago were the Independent Student League and the Student Representative Party. The leadership of both parties worked together in Student Government to advance a liberal program in both on campus and off campus activities. However, within ISL, the majority party, a strong conflict arose over the role that ISL should play in relation to the student and the world community. Unable to resolve this conflict within ISL, a majority of the leadership "bolted", and uniting with representatives of SRP and several political independents, formed a new political party, POLIT, on January 29. POLIT, with six members on the Executive Council, has a controlling majority, and with the single greatest block of votes in the Student Assembly, is now the major student political party at the University of Chicago.

At the organizational meeting of POLIT, seven executive offices were established among which was a department of education. One of the important functions of this department is to bring speakers on campus who can offer stimulating and provocative material for discussion and consideration. We have been informed that you will be in Chicago on the weekend of February 18. POLIT would be honored to sponsor your lecture on the American Civil War at that time. We understand that your available time is Sunday afternoon. As far as drawing a larger audience Sunday evening is preferable, but if you find this time entirely inconvenient, 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon would probably be the next best time.

POLIT would appreciate a short biography and any suggestions for publicity you might wish to make. At the writing of this letter, our treasury is nonexistent, and it would be appreciated, if, in the answering of this letter, you would take this factor into consideration. A self-addressed stamped envelope is enclosed for your convenience. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jesse Auerbach
Jesse Auerbach
Educational Director
POLIT

SAC, CHICAGO

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On 2/21/61, [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished photographs of material maintained by New Century Publishers (NCP), 832 Broadway, NYC.

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A documentation of NCP is contained in "The Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications."

Enclosed herewith is a letter dated 1/31/61, to "Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER" from "JESSE AUERBACH."

APTHEKER is the Editor of "Political Affairs".

POLITICAL AFFAIRS

The April, 1960 issue of "Political Affairs" identified itself as "A Theoretical and Political Magazine of Scientific Socialism."

While under direct examination as a defense witness in the United States versus ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, ET AL, Criminal Docket C 136-7, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, on October 20, 1952, ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN testified that "Political Affairs" is the theoretical organ of the Communist Party of the United States and has been so since the magazine was "set up" in 1945.

"The Worker", an East Coast Communist weekly newspaper, in its issue dated January 3, 1960, identified ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN as a Vice Chairman of the Communist Party of the United States.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-427536) DATE: 3/15/61
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-133884)
SUBJECT: CP, USA
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ReBullets, 2/6/59, 7/2/59, and 12/30/59.

The following is being set forth relative to the National Committee (NC) members of the Communist Party (CP) in the New York City area.

It should be noted that portions of the information set forth below have been furnished by highly placed informants and sources and extreme caution should be exercised in the dissemination of any of this material to insure the protection of these sources:

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ALBERTSON, WILLIAM

ALBERTSON is a member of the NC, representing the NY District. At a meeting of the NY District CP Board, 2/2/61, ALBERTSON was elected Chairman of the Youth Commission by a vote of six in favor, five opposed. In addition, ALBERTSON holds the position of Chairman of the Food Club of the Industrial Division of the NY State CP.

APTHEKER, HERBERT

APTHEKER is an at large member of the NC. In addition, he has been made Director of the NY School for Marxist Studies, 853 Broadway, NYC. He continues to be concerned with the publication of "Political Affairs". GUS HALL recently mentioned that it appears that APTHEKER was using his position on "Political Affairs" for his own advancement, and that the material of others that he was putting in that publication was very sloppy. HALL also placed the responsibility for the delayed publication of "Political Affairs" on APTHEKER. In view of this, HALL stated that he is considering replacing APTHEKER with JAMES ALLEN on the staff of this publication.

At the February meeting of the NY District CP Board, APTHEKER was elected a member of the Youth Commission of the NY CP District and named to the Special Organizational Commission of the District.

AUERBACH, SOLOMON

AUERBACH is an at large member of the NC who is commonly known as JAMES ALLEN.

ALLEN is currently on an extended trip abroad. It is noted that GUS HALL has expressed a question as to the manner in which ALLEN has been able to afford to

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travel extensively, not only to the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia, Poland and Hungary, but to countries outside the Soviet bloc. HALL has indicated that ALLEN would have to take care of his own expenditures in countries outside the Soviet bloc, and "wondered" how he could afford this.

BART, PHILIP

BART is an at large member of the NC and continues to hold the title of National Organization Secretary. BART is reportedly a member of the Latin-American Commission and Special Organizational Commission of the NY CP District. In addition, he has been assigned, together with JACK STACHEL and BETTY GANNETT to the task of arranging for a skeleton underground operation. He continues to be most active in the day to day operation of the CP, USA National Office.

BERT, ERIK

BERT is an at large member of the NC and continues to function as Managing Editor of "The Worker".

During February, 1961, the source advised that BERT has been invited to attend a meeting in Leipzig, Germany, on 3/20 and 21/61. According to this source, BERT will probably proceed to Moscow following the conclusion of the Leipzig meeting. The source further reported that it has been indicated that BERT's wife will accompany him.

COLON, JESUS

COLON is an at large member of the NC and continues to write a regular weekly column for "The Worker". In addition, from time to time COLON instructs classes at the NY School of Marxist Study.

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CRENOVICH, MICHAEL AARON

CRENOVICH is a member of the NC, representing the NY District. He reportedly is a member of the Latin-American Commission of the NY CP District. CRENOVICH attends meetings of the NY District CP Board and is active in the Industrial Division of the CP.

DAVIS, BENJAMIN J., JR.

DAVIS is an at large member of the NC and holds the position of CP, USA National Secretary. Recently PHILIP BART has been critical of DAVIS, stating that DAVIS only comes to the National Office twice a week, on Wednesday for the Secretariat meeting and on Thursdays to get his pay.

During the afternoon of 2/15/61, DAVIS appeared in a picket line demonstration outside the UN protesting LUMUMBA's death. DAVIS was interviewed by the press and was led from the demonstration by the police. In discussing this incident, DAVIS said that he had appeared in the picket line, which line he mistakenly believed to be of some "progressive forces", but in reality was composed of Negro nationalists from Harlem. DAVIS received considerable notoriety as a result of this incident and in some quarters was criticised for his participation with these Negro nationalists.

EDELMAN, MILDRED MC ADOREY

EDELMAN is an at large member of the NC and member of Harlem Regional Committee of the CP. At a meeting of the NY District CP Board held 2/2/61, she was proposed as a member of the Negro Commission of the NY District. In addition, there was a question as to whether EDELMAN or PAUL ROBESON, JR., would be made a member of the Youth Commission of the District. CLARENCE HATHAWAY has indicated a preference for EDELMAN.

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FLYNN, ELIZABETH GURLEY

FLYNN is an at large member of the NC and holds the title of Vice-Chairman of the CP, USA. It is noted that at a meeting of the NEC held 3/9/61, a recommendation was posed that ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN be named National Chairman. The NEC members approved and it was indicated that this recommendation was to be submitted to NC members not present, recommending response by 3/13/61.

FLYNN gave the principle address at a mid-west meeting celebrating the 37th anniversary of "The Worker" held on 1/27/61. She described her eight month trip through the Socialist countries in Europe stating she had visited five countries. FLYNN was poetic in her description of the new cities which had been built since Communism took over. In her conclusion, FLYNN said she hoped everyone present would join her in the fight to convert this country to Communism.

On 3/3/61, FLYNN was one of the speakers at a rally held in Carnegie Hall to celebrate the 37th anniversary of "The Worker", as well as the 80th birthday of WILLIAM Z. FOSTER.

FLYNN is scheduled to be a main speaker at a similar celebration to be held 3/10/61, in Philadelphia. On 3/11/61, she will attend a meeting in lower Bucks County. In addition, she has made plans to attend a meeting in New Jersey on 3/12/61.

FLYNN recently has indicated that she has nothing but contempt for ARNOLD JOHNSON and indicated it is her belief that he has "wrecked the peace movement". FLYNN has stated that JOHNSON should be put someplace where he can't do the party any harm.

FLYNN has also been critical of MIRIAM FRIEDLANDER, stating FRIEDLANDER has been a failure in previous jobs she has been given and would not like to see her get the "defense assignment".

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Recently FLYNN has commented on MIMI FRIEDLANDER's abilities to do a defense job. FLYNN stated that FRIEDLANDER has been a failure in every job the party has given her.

FRIEDLANDER, MIRIAM

FRIEDLANDER is a member of the NC, representing the NY District and continues to hold the title of Bronx County Organizer. FRIEDLANDER regularly attends meetings of the NY District CP Board. She was recently criticized for going to the Civil Liberties Union and the Emergency Defense Committee and telling them that she was now in charge of "The defense job", even before she had been given this assignment. Prior to this, ARNOLD JOHNSON had contacted these organizations for many years and there was suspicion by the personnel of these organizations of FRIEDLANDER.

It is noted under the write-up of FLYNN, FRIEDLANDER has been criticized as a failure in previous jobs she has been given. It would appear there is some serious doubt as to whether she will be given the defense assignment.

GERSON, SIMON

GERSON is an at large member of the NC. He reportedly has been made a member of the Political Action and Legislative Commission of the NY CP District. GERSON continues to be active in his employment with Afton Tours.

HALL, GUS

HALL is an at large member of the NC and holds the title of General Secretary of the CP, USA. HALL continues to be most active in all phases of CP activity on a national level. Recently HALL indicated that if he is to be "Boss", he must also control all Party funds. HALL said that he realizes that he can have collective leadership, but can't, as the leader of the Party, be

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friends with everyone. He, however, is of the opinion that all individuals in the national leadership of the CP, USA, with the exception of BEN DAVIS, are on his side.

HATHAWAY, CLARENCE

HATHAWAY is an at large member of the NC and Chairman of the NY CP District. He was hospitalized from 2/17/61 to 3/4/61, as a result of an asthmatic attack. He is currently recuperating at home.

In addition to previous assignments reported, he is a member of the Peace Commission, the Trade Union Commission and the Political Action and Legislation Commission of the NY CP District.

JACKSON, JAMES E.

JACKSON is an at large member of the NC and holds the title of National Secretary for the South. In addition, he holds the position of Editor of "The Worker".

JACKSON recently has been involved in the organization of the various celebrations for the 37th anniversary of "The Worker".

The "New York Times", on 2/12/61, reportedly carried an article dealing with an article of JAMES JACKSON which appeared in the February, 1961, issue of "World Marxist Review" on the topic of the US and the world crisis. The "New York Times" article appeared under the title, "US Red Favors Shift in Marxism". In this "New York Times" article, it was pointed out that there appeared in the February issue of the "World Marxist Review", three articles, one by JACKSON, one by NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV and one by GHEORGHE GHEORGHIU-dej, First Secretary of the Rumanian Workers Party. As a result of this "New York

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Times" article, quite a furor has been caused in the ranks of the CP, USA. At a CP meeting recently held in Brooklyn, NY, a number of questions on this article were directed to ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN. FLYNN, at this time, indicated she had no comment and would have none until she read the entire article in the "World Marxist Review". FLYNN has indicated that she feels that the two paragraphs quoted by the "New York Times" as contained in JACKSON's article in the "World Marxist Review" are quite disturbing and amazing. JACKSON, in early February, 1961, has admitted that his statements could be misconstrued; that in translating this article there were some slight mistranslations and a phrase was left out. However, JACKSON felt that even with this phrase in it would not make much difference, perhaps it would not seem as bad as it was. JACKSON has been advised to send a note of correction to "World Marxist Review". It is felt that this article might be used by JACKSON's enemies in the CP, such as BEN DAVIS, to cause him embarrassment.

JOHNSON, ARNOLD

JOHNSON is an at large member of the NC and is reportedly a member of the Peace Commission of the NY CP District.

JOHNSON was in attendance at the last meeting of the NC held 1/20 - 22/61, at which he gave a report which dealt with civil liberties and the necessity of working for peace.

LUMER, HYMAN

LUMER is an at large member of the NC and holds the title of National Education Secretary.

On 2/20/61, the US Supreme Court denied certiorari in LUMER's case under the Labor Management Relations Act of 1947. On 2/22/61, LUMER stated that he will have at

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least another 30 nights before going back to jail. He indicated that he is trying to get an extension because of his wife's illness. LUMER said that he has gotten some type of statement from the Government to the effect that they would not move in immediately for enforcement.

O'DELL, HUNTER PITTS

O'DELL is a member of the NC representing the South. He was elected at the National Convention under the name CORNELIUS JAMES. O'DELL was in attendance on 2/17 and 18/61, at a Workshop on Race Bias in Trade Unions and Government conducted by the "Negro American Labor Council in Washington, D.C. Approximately 1,500 people were in attendance at this function.

O'DELL continues to avoid going to CP headquarters and has not taken part in any open CP activity. He is working on behalf of MARTIN LUTHER KING at 312 W. 125th St., NYC. This is the address of the Committee to Defend Martin Luther King and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, which conference is headed by MARTIN LUTHER KING.

PATTERSON, WILLIAM L.

PATTERSON is an at large member of the NC and holds a position of Vice-Chairman of the NY District. In addition, he is a member of the Special Organizational Commission and the Negro Commission of the NY CP District and a member of the National Negro Commission of the CP, USA. He regularly attends meetings of the National Leadership as well as meetings of the NY District CP Board.

ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN has commented that recently PATTERSON had written a resolution on the Negro question which was so amateurish and stupid that everyone rejected it.

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POTASH, IRGING

POTASH is an at large member of the NC and holds a position of Labor Secretary of the CP, USA. He continues to attend secretariat meetings and recently outlined a program dealing with the current unemployment problem. In this program, POTASH called for the following:

1 - An all-out national crusade for a 30 hour week with 40 hours pay.

2 - A uniform federal system of unemployment compensation covering all workers.

POTASH's status with INS remains unchanged. He continues under order of supervision awaiting deportation.

ROBESON, PAUL JR.

ROBESON is a member of the NC representing the NY District. ROBESON attends meetings of the Harlem CP Regional Committee and it was recently indicated that ROBESON will be the organizer of the Lower 13th Assembly District Club of the CP. It was announced at a meeting of the NY District CP Board, held 2/2/61, that BILL ALBERTSON will discuss with ROBESON the possibility of his membership on the Youth Commission of the NY District. After this discussion, if ALBERTSON or CLARENCE HATHAWAY, Chairman of the District, have no objection, ROBESON will be made a member of this Youth Commission.

ROSENBLUTH, NAT

ROSENBLUTH is a member of the NC, representing the NY District. Recently, a biographical sketch of ROSENBLUTH was obtained. Therein it was indicated that

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ROSENBLUTH is a member of the ILGWU and that his occupation is "cutter - ladies' suite". Therein it is indicated ROSENBLUTH is a member of the Craft Club as well as a member of the SANE. It is noted that ROSENBLUTH is Chairman of the garment region of the CP.

At a meeting of the NY District CP staff, held 1/17/61, it was decided by CLARENCE HATHAWAY that ROSENBLUTH's name would be tentatively added to the Trade Union Commission of the District. He was not definitely made a member of this commission because of his general inactivity in relation to the previously instituted trade union committee.

RUBIN, MORTIMER DANIEL

RUBIN is an at large member of the CP, representing youth and holds the position of CP, USA National Youth Secretary.

Recently RUBIN has been in poor health as a result of the possible recurrence of a tubercular condition. His principle activity is in connection with the publication "New Horizon For Youth".

STACHEL, JACOB

STACHEL is an at large member of the NC and Chairman of the National Groups Commission of the CP, USA. In addition, it has been reported that together with PHILIP BART and BETTY GANNETT, STACHEL has been given the assignment of arranging for a skeleton underground operation in the event of adverse court decisions against the CP.

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TORMEY, BETTY GANNETT

TORMEY is a member of the NC representing the NY District. In addition, she is a member of the full time staff of the NY State CP and holds the title of Organizer and Educational Director of the District. According to the Spring Term, 1961, Catalogue, 3/6/61 through 5/5/61, under "The New York School For Marxist Studies", TORMEY was listed as the instructor in the course, "Introduction to Marxism" at SCOPE classes to be held Friday at 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM, beginning 3/10/61.

In addition to the above assignment, TORMEY has been assigned, along with PHILIP BART and JACK STACHEL, with the task of arranging for a skeleton underground operation to be utilized in the event of adverse court decisions affecting the CP.

TORMEY has indicated she will give her major attention to coordinating the work of the clubs; training all club officers and in addition, paying some attention to agitational work.

TORMEY, JAMES

TORMEY is a member of the NC, representing the NY District. In addition, he holds the position of Kings County CP Organizer. In the reorganization of the district, he was dropped from the state payroll, and is looking for employment. TORMEY was recently made a member of the Special Organization Commission and the Negro Commission of the NY CP District.

WEINSTOCK, LOUIS

WEINSTOCK is a member of the NC, representing the NY District and holds the position of General Manager of "The Worker".

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In late January, 1961, it was learned that LOUIS WEINSTOCK had completed the necessary arrangements and can now handle for the CP, USA, any more messages which must be transmitted to the Hungarian Socialist Workers Party. WEINSTOCK has contemplated an extended tour to Miami, Fla., the West Coast and other parts of the US to raise funds for the establishment of a daily Marxist newspaper.

WEINSTONE, WILLIAM

WEINSTONE was elected a member of the NC at a meeting of that body, held in NYC, 1/20-22/61.

It has been previously reported that the CP, USA, was considering sending WEINSTONE to Prague for a period of one year as the CP, USA representative on the staff of "World Marxist Review". Recently, however, GUS HALL has said that WEINSTONE will not be considered further for this assignment. Instead, WEINSTONE will replace HY LUMER as National Educational Director of the CP, USA, whose replacement has been necessitated by the recent ruling which may require that LUMER go to prison in the near future.

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-123974)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532)

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ReBulet, dated 2/24/61.

Relet instructed the NYO to monitor a regularly scheduled broadcast by HERBERT APTHEKER over FM Radio Station WBAI, NYC.

By letter dated 3/3/61, the NYO reported APTHEKER's broadcast of 2/28/61.

By letter dated 3/6/61, the NYO reported that APTHEKER may have been scheduled to deliver only the broadcast of 2/28/61.

As instructed by the Bureau, the NYO continued to monitor the program. Neither on March 7 nor on March 14, 1961, did APTHEKER appear on the program.

In view of these circumstances, it would appear that the broadcast of 2/28/61, was the only one on which APTHEKER was scheduled to appear.

In the light of the above, NYO will discontinue monitoring this program.

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Re: Herbert Eugene Aptheker

On March 9, 1961, Mr. Joseph Callahan, Passport Agency, United States State Department, 630 Fifth Avenue, New York City, made available Aptheker's application for renewal of his passport number 1273187, issued December 10, 1958. The Application was dated March 6, 1961, and reflects his home address as 32 Ludlow Place, Brooklyn, New York, and his wife, Fay Aptheker, as the person to be notified in case of emergency.

According to Callahan, Aptheker intends to depart New York City via KLM Airlines on an unspecified date in April, 1961, for a month-long pleasure and education trip to England, France and Italy, and he expects to take another trip within one year.

On December 14, 1959, a Confidential Source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Herbert Aptheker was elected to the National Committee of the Communist Party, United States of America (CPUSA) at its 17th National Convention held in New York City from December 10 to 13, 1959.

The CPUSA has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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HERBERT EUGENE APTHEKER
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Enclosed are 7 copies of a letterhead memorandum reporting the tentative plans of HERBERT APTHEKER to visit England, France and Italy, in April, 1961.

The source utilized in the enclosed memorandum is CG 5824-S*. ~~(S)~~ (U)

The NYO will continue to give close attention to this matter.

This memorandum has been classified ~~confidential~~ because it contains information from a source, the unauthorized disclosure of which would seriously impair the investigation of the CPUSA, and such impairment could have an adverse effect upon the National defense interests of the country.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC [REDACTED]

FROM: SA ROBERT C. NORTON

SUBJECT: INFORMATION FURNISHED
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DATE: March 1, 1961

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"The following report concerns events which took place February 5, 1961, in New York City before, during and after the funeral of EUGENE DENNIS, former CP National Chairman.

[REDACTED] CP District Board members from [REDACTED] the former also being a CP National Committee member. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] went to the [REDACTED] New York City, where DENNIS' body was laid out.

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[REDACTED] went to the Times Square Ballroom in the 1600 Block of Broadway.

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[REDACTED] handed [REDACTED] the membership registration figures for the CP Community Section [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] told the [REDACTED] CP National Committee member [REDACTED] from that area would be there shortly and that [REDACTED] had gone to [REDACTED] to the hall.

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[REDACTED] would like to have his name read off. He then explained that all of the National Committee members were considered honorary pallbearers and that there would be television and newspaper coverage.

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[REDACTED] then conferred and decided that [REDACTED] made public since great deal of the work that he was doing [REDACTED] known to the general public.

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About 12:00 noon JAMES JACKSON, CP National Secretary for the South, addressed the group which had been gathered in the

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ballroom. The first three rows of chairs in front were reserved for National Committeemen.

The following individuals were observed to be in attendance at the affair:

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ARNOLD JOHNSON
BENJAMIN DAVIS
CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT
ART SHIELDS
GUS HALL
JAMES JACKSON - Wife
PHIL BART
ELIZABETH G. FLYNN
BOB LEE
PHILIP FRANKFELD
LOUIS WEINSTOCK & Wife
HERBERT APTHEKER
HYMAN LUMER
CARL WINTER
HELEN WINTER
GEORGE MEYERS
JACOB GREEN
JACK STACHEL
IRVIN POTASH
JESUS COLON

BETTY GANNETT
A. KRCHMAREK
ERIK BERT
DANNY RUBIN
LOTTIE GORDON
LEWIS MOROZE
JIM TORMEY
TED BASSETT
SI GERSON & Wife
GEORGE MORRIS
CLARENCE HATHAWAY
JOSH LAWRENCE
ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG
BILL APPLETON
WILLIAM WEINSTONE
MILDRED MC ADORY
PAUL NOVIK
PEGGY DENNIS
EUGENE DENNIS, JR.

JACKSON; GUS HALL, General Secretary; PAUL NOVIK of the "Morning Freiheit"; CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, CP Vice Chairman; and ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, CP Vice Chairman, then spoke in turn eulogizing DENNIS.

The various speeches ended at about 1:15 p.m. at which time the pallbearers took the body out.

HELEN WINTER then asked GREEN, MEYERS and LEE if they intended to pay their respects to the widow of DENNIS who was at home and had not attended the services.

The group then decided to go except for MEYERS who said that he was going to take DENNIS' body to the crematorium. GREEN, LEE, HYMAN LUMER, CP National Educational Secretary; JAMES JACKSON and his wife; JOSH LAWRENCE; CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT; MILDRED MC ADORY; JACK STACHEL and his wife joined GREEN and LEE in a visit to the home of DENNIS' widow. They took the 7th

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Avenue subway to 145th Street and walked over to 151st to the residence.

The group found MEYERS had arrived already. MEYERS explained that he had changed his mind and had not gone to the crematorium.

MEYERS then introduced GREEN and some of the others to the widow of DENNIS and her son, EUGENE DENNIS, JR.

The group talked until about 3:15 p.m. at which time it was suggested that [redacted]

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[redacted] where they met [redacted] into the apartment.

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[redacted] if he had obtained his union book. [redacted] said that he had obtained [redacted] but had been unable to get his union card back from [redacted]. He said that in any event he did not desire to go to [redacted] for such a long time.

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[redacted] whether he remembered [redacted] former CP members [redacted] replied that he knew them both and considered [redacted] be O. K. but hotheaded. He then asked as to [redacted] CP status.

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[redacted] had left the Party like a number of others during the 1940's because of personal and ideological differences. He said he had been in contact with [redacted] during the past year and that [redacted] said that [redacted] was interested in rejoining the Party but had stressed that he could not work in the open because of Government checks.

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[redacted] then turned to [redacted] and said that he had forgotten

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to talk to [redacted] about [redacted] and that the latter was back in [redacted] for a short period. [redacted] said that when he returned to [redacted] he intended to make [redacted] his Number 1 assignment.

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[redacted] then asked as to labor conditions in [redacted] and while they were talking about this, [redacted]

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The group then discussed [redacted] coming to [redacted] to pay a visit. [redacted] said they would like to very much but they had to get Government permission to travel and it was an annoyance.

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[redacted] said that there were a number of things he wanted done back in [redacted]. He then instructed [redacted] to contact [redacted] and told [redacted] could not go to Washington, D. C. that night and to change the date of the visit, [redacted] being all right.

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Upon his return [redacted] instructed [redacted] to contact [redacted] CP Community Section member, and have him go to the home of [redacted] the following Tuesday night to attend a talk to be given by [redacted]

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[redacted] then discussed [redacted] actions at the last District Board meeting which [redacted] had not attended and during which meeting [redacted]

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[redacted] emphasized that he was not going to criticize [redacted] any more in view of the fact that he was not backed by the other District Board members. He said however that he was very much dissatisfied with her lack of activity.

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[redacted] then said that he was asked by GUS HALL to stay

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[redacted] [redacted]
said that he had an idea that the discussion would concern the appointment of someone to replace [redacted] on the secretariat.

[redacted] that he had talked to [redacted] and was going to raise the question with him of financing of trips to the South. b7D

[redacted] the attendance at the funeral that day with everyone agreeing that the attendance was as good as could be expected in view of the weather. b7D

[redacted] then made the observation that not many Negroes were in attendance but said he saw no more than about 50. [redacted] was entirely correct and that this pointed out what was happening to the CP with regard to the Negro membership. b7D

[redacted] that he should emphasize this point at the meeting the next day. [redacted] agreed and asked if there was anything else. b7D

[redacted] said that he was becoming more and more dissatisfied with CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT and noticed that LIGHTFOOT had been about a half an hour late in attending the funeral and had made a spectacle of himself in trying to find a chair on the platform while someone was talking. b7D

[redacted] was again correct in his observation and that the national leadership was concerned about LIGHTFOOT. b7D

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This memo has been compared with the informant's original statement and it is accurate in substance.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-118525) (41)

Date: 3/10/61

FROM: SA JOHN P. DI MARCHI (421)

SUBJECT: BCLC
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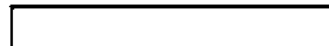
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2/13/61

Report of a regular meeting of the Bronx Committee for Civil Liberties (BCLC) on Monday, 1/16/61, at the apartment of MEYER BELLIT, [REDACTED]

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The following were some of the 16 persons present:

1. BELLA ALTSHULER
2. DORA SINGER
3. SHELTON MADDOX - acting chairman for the meeting
4. MEYER BELLIT
5. DORA FRIEDKAS
6. REBECCA GUREWITZ
7. REBECCA MENDEL
8. CHARLEY FITZPATRICK
9. JEANETTE ROSENEERG
10. RALPH SANTO(s)
11. BERTHA ZULTY
12. HELEN FELMAN
13. WANDA HARTUNG
14. SADIE AUGENSICHT
15. SOL FELLER

Both CHARLEY and BELLA reported the past activities of the New York Council to Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee (NYCAHUAC). BELLA urged for closer BCLC support of the NYCAHUAC). MEYER BELLIT moved and motion was unanimously carried that the BCLC support the purposes and programs of the NYCAHUAC).

BELLA reported that HENRY WINSTON's mother went with her and CHARLEY to Rev. ELDER G. HAWKINS' church and Rev. HAWKINS was very sympathetic. Rev. HAWKINS, she said, promised to visit HENRY WINSTON in prison and to write various people in political life concerning the WINSTON story.

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BELLA suggested a meeting in February at the Allerton Center to be called to discuss the Un-American Committee.

SHELTON suggested something for Negro History Week. CHARLEY supported SHELTON's position and urged the BCLC to have instead of the Un-American topic something significant on the Negro.

It was unanimously agreed after some opposition to have something on Negro History Week.

BELLA stated that she would contact HERBERT APTHEKER and see if he is available for the evening of 2/21/61 (Tuesday evening).

BELLA reported that ABE UNGER would speak at the next meeting of the BCLC at the Bronx Cultural Club, 1752 Boston Road, Bronx, New York, on Friday, 1/27/61.

On Friday, 2/10/61, she said, JESUS COLON will speak to the BCLC on Cuba.

SAC, CHICAGO (100-18200)

March 10, 1961

SA PAUL H. KELLERMEYER

CP, USA, ILLINOIS DISTRICT -
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On February 23, 1961, [redacted]
[redacted] furnished SA JERRY H. BREIDENTFELD a written report
concerning a meeting held on February 19, 1961, at 410
South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, presented
by "The Worker" forum.

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✓ Source advised that this meeting was a Civil
War Centennial meeting and the featured speaker was Dr.
HERBERT APTHEKER. APTHEKER covered the part the Negro
played in the Civil War and gave facts as to how President
LINCOLN eventually came to freeing the slaves. APTHEKER
referred to the 13th Amendment to the Constitution and
compared the United States Government's seizing buildings
and properties in the South as to what is now going on in
Cuba. APTHEKER mentioned that under socialism, there
would be experienced equality of all people as well as
an economy that would not be subject to the "boom or bust"
cycles, which was in contrast to these things experienced
under the imperialist system.

A question and answer period was held and the
point raised that if Negroes would boycott certain products
of the "Jin Crow" manufacturers, they would have a "power
bloc" composed of 20 million Negroes.

Approximately 75 persons attended this lecture
and recognized present, in addition to those mentioned
above, were LE ROY WOLINS, BERT GROSS and Mrs. ROBERT BASKER.

Recommendation

No immediate action necessary.

1 - New York (RM) (100- [redacted] HERBERT APTHEKER)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

DATE: 3/14/61

TO: SAC, NEW HAVEN
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK
SUBJECT: BRONX CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE
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1 - New York (100-26603-61953) (Cultural Club Bronx CP) (421)
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January 16, 1961

A meeting of the Bronx Civil Liberties Committee was held this evening in the home of MEYER BELLIT, [REDACTED] Meeting could not be held at the home of BELLA ALTSHULER due to apartment being painted.

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Report on the reception to Mrs. WINSTON (mother of HENRY WINSTON) was rendered, how well she was received at the Hotel Theresa last Saturday and also at church last Sunday, where the Reverend HAWKINS of the Presbyterian Church promised Mrs. WINSTON that he would personally visit HENRY WINSTON in prison.

A lengthy report and discussion took place where all efforts are to be made to abolish the Congressional Committees on Un-American, much stress is to be made to get behind Congressman ROOSEVELT to abolish said committee and about one thousand copies of ROOSEVELT's letter of December 31, 1960 to all Congressmen is to be mailed to people from the roster of BELLA ALTSHULER.

CHARLES FITZPATRICK reported on a new Council which was created last October on the abolishment of the Un-American Activities Committee; this Council has just opened headquarters in the vicinity of Macy's at 34th St. and they are asking financial backing on a set quota; a protest was raised by RALPH SANTO that no backing be given this organization, that we have our own organization and that they should come to us for advise, after arguments that lasted over an hour, it was decided that the Bronx Committee for Civil Liberties will work with them only by moral support.

Mr. ABE UNGER, an attorney will address the next meeting which will be held at the Cultural Club on January 27th, with future meetings to have Mr. UPHAUS and Mr. APTEKE. The following were present this day:

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BELLA ALTSHULER, CHARLES FITZPATRICK, HELEN FELMAN, MEYER BELLIT, JEANETTE ROSENBERG, REBECCA GUREWITZ, RALPH SANTO, BERTHA LOBEL, WENDY HARTUNG, DORA SINGER, REBECCA MINDEL, Mr. SHELTON (colored) a very active couple in their fifties, names unknown who live somewhere in the forty-six hundred numbers of Park Ave. in the Bronx with a very difficult last name, also Mrs. DORA FRIEDKISS? and a new name to be inserted in the place of GEORGE BELL, retired postal worker from Brooklyn; it was finally established on authentic paper observed that he is really Mr. HAROLD BLYER, one who knows all the personalities in the Communist World and attended Communist school with them here and probably abroad.

A SIGN WAS PLACED ON BULLETIN BOARD OF 2700 BRONX PARK EAST TODAY ANNOUNCING A MEETING TO HEAR ELIZABETH FLYNN AT THE ALLERTON COMMUNITY CENTER TUESDAY JANUARY 24, 1961. It does not state who is sponsoring same and nothing was said at meeting this evening. It is supposed that BELLA HALEBSKY and probably SAM NESIN is behind this one.

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SA JOHN J. DUNLEAVY (422)

NEW YORK SCHOOL FOR MARXIST STUDIES
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February 10, 1961

On January 23, 1961, the second of a series of lectures on Current Problems on Marxist Theory was held at the New York School for Marxist Studies, 853 Broadway, New York, N.Y. on the 18th floor at 8:30 p.m.

Mr. HERBERT APTHEKER was the instructor. He stated religion is an instrument of the ruling class. When it is used the masses may read differently from the way the ruling class intended. The masses may take over religion as a legal means of fighting the ruling class.

Accept your status because it was given to you by God, therefore, it is the will of Him, and you shall be ever lighted in the hereafter. (Mr. APTHEKER said this was told to slaves in the early years so they would obey their masters. It was delivered by ministers paid by the land owners at sermons to the slaves.)

The class then started to discuss nationalism. He stated it started to appear at the end of feudalism. Instead of land wealth, capitalism believed in merchantile wealth.

Approximately 18 people attended this class.

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February 10, 1961

On January 16, 1961, the first of a series of lectures on Current Problems in Marxist Theory was held at the New York School for Marxist Studies, 853 Broadway, New York, N.Y., on the 18th floor at 8:30 p.m.

✓ Mr. HERBERT APTHEKER was the lecturer. The first lecture dealt with religion.

He stated that there were two sources of religion:

1. Of wonder, fear and that of not knowing
2. Class division

He also stated that religion is the peoples opium, religion is the sign of the oppressed, religion is the relief from the cruel world, religion is the protest from the mass, and religion is an institution of the working class to maintain order.

The lecture lasted about 1 3/4 hours and there were about 10 people present.

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SA JOHN J. DUNLEAVY (422)

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February 10, 1961

On January 30, 1961 the third of a series of lectures on Current Problems in Marxist Theory was held at the New York School for Marxist Studies, 853 Broadway, New York, N.Y., on the 18th floor at 8:30 P.M.

✓ Mr. HERBERT APTHEKER was the lecturer and we continued on the lecture of nationalism. He stated that one of the amendments granted certain powers to the government to acquire property if it needed it and paid a fair price for it. However, there was another amendment that prohibited the people from bringing suit against the government in case the price paid was not fair. He then went on to discuss political parties and the disadvantages of our system. He mentioned that GEORGE WASHINGTON predicted there would be more than one party in this country and then there would be complications.

There were about forty persons attending this session.

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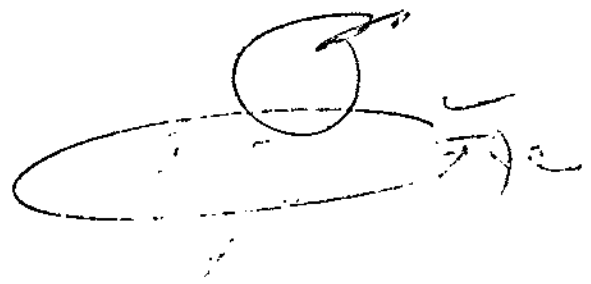
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The Bronx Committee for Civil Liberties & Civil Rights was the sponsor of a meeting on Tuesday, February 21, 1961 8 am at the Allerton Community Center, 633 Allerton Ave, Bronx, N.Y. The speakers were HERBERT APTHEKER and a Mr. MARTIN, a leading Negro spokesman.

There were about 70 persons present, among whom were a BOB PARAHOO, BELLA ALTSCHULER JEANETTE ROSENBERG. Mrs. ALTSCHULER who lives at [redacted] and is executive secretary was the chairwoman. JEANETTE ROSENBERG the secretary went to spoke to BOB PARAHOO whom I later found out gave his name and address and volunteered to do anything he can for the committee in the future. BELLA promised to notify him of further proceedings.

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About 10:30 pm after coffee & cake were served the meeting came to a close.

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SA JOHN J. DUNLEAVY (422)

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March 6, 1961

On February 13, 1961 the fifth lecture in Current Problems in Marxist Theory was held at 853 Broadway, New York, N.Y on the 18th floor at 8:30 P.M.

✓ The instructor was HERBERT APTHEKER. The topic under discussion was, "revolution." The instructor stated the basic source of a revolution is the contradiction of the system, internal antagonism. Those in office, unhappy with the system are advocating a reform. With the help of the outside pressures, that is, those not of the ruling class, you have the beginning of a revolution. A revolution is not a moment, it is a process, method in which a change comes about.

The size of the class decrease_ to about 30 individuals. The__ were no new faces to be seen.

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1 - New York (100-85233) (421)
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1 - New York (100-74453) (421)
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Report of a regular meeting of the Bronx Committee for Civil Liberties (BCLC) at the Bronx Cultural Club, 1752 Boston Road, Bronx, New York, on Friday evening, 1/27/61.

The following were some of the 25 people present:

1. BELLA ALTSHULER
2. RALPH SANTO (s)
3. SOL FELLER
4. CHARLEY FITZPATRICK - acting chairman for the meeting
5. SADIE AUGENSICHT
6. HELEN FELMAN
7. WANDA HARTUNG
8. BEA LOWENTHAL
9. DORA FRIEDKAS
10. Mrs. FNU Sp-ease (sounds like)
11. BEN CHASANOW
12. HELEN FRANKEL (formerly HELEN BLOCK)
13. Mr. FNU FRANKEL
14. ABE UNGER - guest speaker

ABE spoke on the recent elections and the coming Congress in the United States.

ABE viewed the present political situation in the United States and the role of the present administration as a crusade for rehabilitating capitalism. The people, he said, must not yield, must make no concessions as far as their economic and political freedoms are affected. If the people yield, ABE told his audience, the resistance that they will later find to their desires for economic and political progress will be very sharp.

ABE stated that President KENNEDY was not the candidate strongly supported by the Catholic Church. The Catholic Church, he stated, would have liked a stronger candidate.

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ABE told his audience that he did not see the immediate disappearance of the House and Senate Un-American Committees, but, he stated, the people must continually work for the abolition of these committees.

After ABE's talk, the regular business meeting was held.

BELLA urged a new campaign for the freedom of HENRY WINSTON. She also reported on HENRY WINSTON's mother's recent visit to New York. BELLA also called for proposals for the WINSTON campaign.

There was much criticism of the role of the Harlem Committee and of WINSTON's mother in the WINSTON campaign.

CHARLEY reminded those participating in the discussion that the BCLC cannot dictate to others what must be done in the WINSTON campaign. It is a nationwide struggle, he said, and the BCLC is only one of the participants. The BCLC, he stated, can only ask others to work for the freedom of WINSTON. BELLA supported CHARLEY's position on this question.

BELLA stated that it was time for an open letter to be sent to President KENNEDY on behalf of HENRY WINSTON. Her proposal received unanimous support.

✓ The BCLC Brotherhood Week program at the Allerton Center on Tuesday, 2/21/61 was announced with HERBERT APTHEKER as guest speaker. Tickets for that affair were sold at the meeting. BELLA stated that 35 tickets were distributed to the Youth Committee. It is felt that BELLA stated that the Youth Committee she mentioned was the one recently founded in Chicago, Illinois.

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Party for benefit of Worker held at home
of MANNY BLUM in Chicago, Illinois.

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February 20, 1961

✓ On Saturday evening, February 18, 1961, a party was held at the home of Manny Blum in Chicago, Illinois, to raise funds for the "Worker". Dr. Herbert Aptheker spoke at this party and talked about the present situation in the Congo. Aptheker stated that there was a real danger that the situation in the Congo would become another Korea.

Food was served buffet style at this party. Each person present was required to make a donation for the support of the "Worker".

The following persons were identified in attendance at this party:

Mr. & Mrs. Manny Blum
Frank Allen (from Chicago)
Bea Lumpkin (from Gary)
Jesse Reese (from Gary)
John Boxley (from Gary)
Arthur Adams (from Gary)
Si Boorda (from South Bend)

There were about 65 or 70 persons in attendance at this party.

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On February 25, 1961, [redacted] panel source who has furnished insufficient information to determine reliability, provided SA SCOTT personally with written information pertaining to a meeting sponsored by Committee for Freedom of the Press on February 19, 1961.

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The original information is being maintained in [redacted] and is as follows:

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Meeting held in the Fine Arts Building, 410 South Michigan Avenue in the Music Room at 7:30 P.M., Sunday, February 19, 1961. It was sponsored by the Freedom of Press Committee.

Speaker: HERBERT APTHEKER

The Chairman who introduced Mr. APTEKER appeared to be around 6 feet tall and thin. He had short, rather fuzzy hair combed straight back with a somewhat irregular hair line on the forehead. The hair was not receding. He wore a full mustache and had small, close-to-the-head ears. His nose was broad but of the hooked variety. It was not a snub-nose. He wore a cocoa-brown gabardine suit. He probably would be considered a nice looking man. He is negro.

Mr. APTEKER said it was the beginning of National Negro History week and that a New York newspaper did not find the time or space to mention it in the calendar of events for the month of February. But that Ground Hog day and several equally unimportant events had been noted.

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(1 - HERBERT APTHEKER)

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1 - 61-837 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)
1 - 100-30503 (American Friends Service-Committee)
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His talk was based around the events of the Civil War and he probably was paralleling certain features to our times.

Mr. PATHEKER said he had made a list of 15 lessons learned from studying the Civil War. He invited anyone who wished to do so to write them down.

1. The real threat to our republic lies in reactionary moves.
2. The basic defenders are the fundamental builders - both Negro and White.
3. The oppression of the Negro people is a matter of history.
4. Racism has been destructive ----?
5. The contributions in the war by Negroes were decisive in the victory.
6. Policies of compromise are disastrous.
7. Negro-White unity was needed to win the war.
8. Decisive governmental acts are needed where fighting against Negro oppression is concerned. Not words - acts.
9. The first aim in the war was to save the country then joined by the second which was to free the slaves.
10. The divided character of the South was clearly shown in the war. Most of the Southern Whites hated secession.
11. International solidarity was an outstanding feature of our Civil War.
12. The Marxist component was present in the Civil War. Marxism had been part of the abolitionist move.
13. The Civil War amendment constitutes revolution.
14. The Civil War began as counter-revolution and ended as a revolution.
15. The full potential of the revolutionary content in the Civil War was abated.

There were perhaps 75 people at the meeting. It appeared that the majority were foreign-born. The meeting lasted for at least two hours.

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There was a man at the meeting whose picture will be used for something by the American Friends Service Committee. He is a teacher and has African students who were not able to attend the meeting. They call him often and are alerted for a meeting at any time.

The source furnished a pamphlet entitled, "Freedom in History" by APTHEKER. This pamphlet is being sent as an enclosure to New York, Office of Origin, for APTHEKER.

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1 - New York (100-20789) (DR. W.E. DU BOIS) (422) (page 4)
1 - New York (100-26448) [REDACTED] (422) (page 5)
1 - New York (100-144063) [REDACTED] (412) (page 5)
1 - New York (100- [REDACTED]) (JOAN (LNU) [REDACTED])

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February 16, 1961
New York, New York

✓ On 2/10/61, the New York School for Marxist Studies held a program in the Winter Garden at the Sheraton-Atlantic Hotel, Broadway and 34th Street, NYC. Attendance was by engraved invitation only. HERBERT APTHEKER, the director of the New York School, announced that about 300 persons were in attendance. The Garden was quite full and this figure is believed to be about accurate. APTHEKER stated that he was quite gratified by the attendance, especially in consideration of the fact that the affair had not been advertised.

The speaker was introduced as Dr. JULIO ALVAREZ DEL VAYO, former Foreign Minister of the Spanish Republic from 1936-1939. He claimed to be an accredited correspondent to the United Nations representing one or more publications, one of which was a newspaper in York, Pennsylvania. It is also possible that he might represent a Cuban newspaper.

Dr. DEL VAYO's topic was "Current developments in Spain".

Early in his remarks he stated that he was not a Citizen of the US and therefore was not in a position to criticize the Government; however, he then proceeded to engage in various criticisms of the American policies towards the present day Spanish Government. He stated that Franco's Government would have failed, if the US had not extended economic assistance to Spain in 1959. He indicated that just prior to that time Franco was in serious economic trouble and a crisis would have developed which might have lead to the end of his dictatorship.

Dr. DEL VAYO stated that the fascist states of Germany and Italy had put the fascist Government of Franco into power and indicated, by insinuation that the US had taken over this heritage.

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DEL VAYO stated that he had "recently" visited Spain, although he did not specify a date. He stated he could not name the exact place of his entry into Spain, except that it had been over the French border. He claimed to have visited with friends while in Spain. He told the story that he had been checked by a Spanish Police Officer and that he had successfully evaded arrest by claiming to be an American tourist, who had misplaced his papers. The place of this incident was not specified. He mentioned that he was considered stateless with papers obtained from the French Government. DEL VAYO stated that not withstanding the foreign policies which buttress FRANCO's power, there was encouragement for the forces opposing the dictator.

He indicated that progressive forces within Spain were increasing. He said that during recent elections the "Marxist" movement was able to place some of their people into "minor positions" within the labor union movement. He stated that things had progressed to the point where the nephew of a high Spanish official (possibly a Spanish Falagist general) was active in a Spanish underground Marxist youth movement that referred to itself as the "dishwashers". It is possible that this term may have reference to the fact that some of these youths are employed as dishwashers. He also indicated that some were university students.

DEL VAYO claimed that he had excellent sources of information within the Spanish Government reaching to the Spanish Cabinet. He mentioned that the recent letter campaign against FRANCO calling for the release of political prisoners had brought pressure on the dictator and that he was worried by world public opinion.

DEL VAYO stated that another encouraging example was that he had been approached by students living in Spain wanting to establish contact with him and wanting to help him. He said he told them that he had to be careful as FRANCO's Police were everywhere.

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Among other things mentioned by DEL VAYO was that he had visited China, without the benefit of passport. No date for this visit was mentioned. He stated that he was well received. He also mentioned that there was close cooperation between the Spanish Government in exile and Portugese fighting against dictator SALAZAR and cited the Santa Maria incident as an example of this cooperation.

✓ HERBERT APTHEKER, was the next speaker. He very early stated that he was a citizen of the United States and not bound by the same limitations as Dr. DEL VAYO. By comparison to DEL VAYO's speech, APTHEKER engaged in what would be considered a tirade against current US policies toward Spain. He denounced the US backing of dictator FRANCO. He spoke unfavorably regarding the various US ambassadors assigned to Spain. He spoke of their arrogant manner in supporting FRANCO creating for the US resentment from the Spanish people. He described the Civil War in Spain as the beginning of World War II and stated that until Spain was liberated this war had not ended. He urged that a campaign of letter writing to the US President and other high officials begin, urging the Government to stop their financial support of the Spanish dictatorship.

APTHEKER then devoted some time to the discussion of the New York School of Marxist Studies. He identified himself as the director of the school, but quickly pointed out that the school was collectively run by a board or committee. He said the school was in its 3rd term and had gained many friends. He said that the school had been formerly organized at the home of Dr. W. E. DU BOIS, about a year ago. He then proceeded to read a letter from DU BOIS congratulating the school on its success. APTHEKER invited those present to join this school. This affair took place between 8:45 PM and 10:30 PM and ended with the approval of a resolution demanding that FRANCO release all political prisoners being held by his Government. In attendance, in addition to those mentioned above, were the following individuals:

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HENRY KLEIN
RITA GREEN (ph), from the Marxist class, introduction
to Marxist philosophy
JOANNE (LNU), [REDACTED]

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introduction to Marxist philosophy.

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✓ Meeting 2/21/61 at Allerton Community Center at 8:00 P.M.
Admission \$.50. Guest Speaker HERB APTHEKER.

Mr. APTHEKER spoke on the Civil War. He compared various phases of the Civil War and compared the land grabbing of the U.S. said that when CASTRO came into power he was criticized for confiscating the property in Cuba, and he (APTHEKER) wondered how the U.S. could criticize CASTRO when during the Civil War -- or rather after the Civil War -- The United States government seized control and took over southern property.

He mentioned that 15% of government subsidy goes to higher education, and President KENNEDY has it within his power to refuse to give one red cent to higher education if the schools are not desegregated, but President KENNEDY (although his title is Executive -- and an executive is supposed to execute) he sits by and does nothing towards alleviating or correcting this situation. He severely criticized President KENNEDY in this regard.

There were about 150 people present. A contribution was taken for HENRY WINSTON and it was announced that they collected \$59.00.

Another speaker was MARTIN OLIVER (associated with the NAACP) who spoke inasmuch as the theme of this week is Brotherhood Week. He asked for equal housing, schools and opportunity for the Negro. What happens in Africa directly affects every Negro in America, he said. He also answered pertinent questions regarding segregation at the question and answer period following.

The following people attended: BELLA ALTSCHULER, BELLA HLEBSKY, VERA GAMBINO.

The meeting ended at 10:15 and refreshments were served.

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"The Worker" 2/19/61, pg. 11, col. five, publicized that the Bronx Committee For Civil Liberties and Civil Rights invites you to join in celebrating Brotherhood Week. Speaker: HERBERT APTHEKER, prominent historian. Also a leading Negro spokesman, at Allerton Community Center, 693 Allerton Ave., Bronx, on Washington's Birthday Eve., Tues., Feb. 21, at 8 P.M. Musical Program - Refreshments - Donation 50¢.

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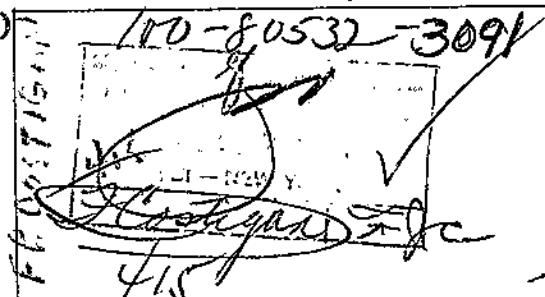
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On the evening of 2/12/61, a meeting of the combined Illinois CP steel section and the Lake County, Indiana CP steel section was held at the residence of Arthur Adams,

The following

individuals were in attendance at this meeting:

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Representing the Illinois CP steel section were

Linsey Jones

Mario (LNU)

John Wright

Lucius Armstrong

Ward Goodspeed

Flo Hall

Unknown white male who has attended this type of meeting in the past and who spoke on the situation in the agricultural field at this type of meeting in the past.

From Lake County, Indiana

Emanuel Blum, Indiana CP District Chairman

Arthur Adams

Frank Lumpkin (Lumpkin arrived after the meeting had begun and had to leave before it was completed)

Adams' wife Ressie served refrestments at this meeting but did not take an active part.

At the outset of the meeting, Linsey Jones was selected as Chairman for the meeting.

No specific agenda was set for discussion at this meeting, however, it was hoped that the meeting would cover such topics as the problems in the steel industry at the present time, the Party's approach to these problems, and the Rarick movement.

The main talk at this affair was delivered by Emanuel Blum, Indiana CP District Chairman. Blum cited a report prepared by Arthur Goldberg, Secretary of Labor, concerning the unemployment situation in the country at the present time. Blum mentioned that according to figures supplied by Goldberg, 5,400,000 people were totally unemployed at the present time. Goldberg felt that the United States is in a worse plight than it has been for many years. According to Blum, Goldberg agrees with a program outlined by David J. McDonald, president of the USWA, which was recently outlined in the union's newspaper known as "Steel Labor." In this article, McDonald supported such issues as the 32 hour week and outlined a program designed to return the steel workers to the mills.

Blum further mentioned that the steel industry is tightening its activities against the steel workers. Disciplinary action taken by the steel industry against steel workers is becoming increasingly prevalent.

Arthur Adams of [redacted] spoke on a recent action taken by the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company, East Chicago, Indiana, against steel workers involved in a wild cat strike. Adams mentioned that Joe Norrick was one of the individuals who refused to cross the picket line when the wild cat strike was instituted at the plant. According to Adams, Norrick was originally disciplined by being suspended for 30 working days. This discipline was subsequently modified to 30 calander days. Norrick will be allowed to return to work on 3/4/61. According to Adams, 10 individuals involved have been discharged by the plant. However, during subsequent negotiations with the union, it was decided that these men will be reinstated after a period of suspension. Adams stated that the company took photographs of the entire activity on the picket line during the wild cat strike and from these photographs, decided who should be disciplined.

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It was Adams' opinion that the pattern of management in the steel industry has been set up on an agreed management approach which is described as the "G. E. pattern." He cited another example in the recent labor dispute at the Simmons Company at Munster, Indiana, a manufacturer of mattresses. At that plant, a woman was transferred to a new job, however, the company claimed she was not proficient enough to hold the new job and was discharged. Subsequent grievance negotiations were unsuccessful in getting this woman reinstated, therefore, a strike was called.

Ward Goodspeed spoke on situations occurring in the South Works in Chicago, Illinois. Goodspeed mentioned that in his department at the South Works, there is a lack of good union representation. He specifically mentioned that the company was asking the workers to perform certain duties which they felt were violations of safety procedures. The union representative, according to Goodspeed, was actually asking the employees to cooperate with the company on this procedure. Goodspeed stated that recently a crane operator was told by the company to go to another job and act as a crane operator at the new place for one hour. Goodspeed and other employees felt that this was an unsafe procedure. Goodspeed protested to the assistant grievor, however, the assistant grievor sustained the company as it would only be for one hour.

Goodspeed's remarks set off a round of general discussion during which time most of the individuals present mentioned problems being encountered at their places of employment in which the steel industry is taking a more militant stand and demanding on authorized work from the employees.

Adams, at the request of Blum, cited a case wherein a general order was issued at the Coke Division of the Gary Works, United States Steel Corporation. This order reflected that if the employees failed to carry out orders from supervisors, they would be disciplined immediately. Adams stated that the Coke Division in the plant is highly organized and all actions by company supervisors concerning this matter are immediately reported to Local 1014 of the USWA. This procedure keeps the Local aware of any such action as it occurs so that something can be done through grievance procedures.

Frank Lumpkin mentioned that in his opinion, the rank and file members in Goodspeed's department at the South Works, should begin campaigning for a stronger union representative to defeat the one currently representing the workers in Goodspeed's department. Lumpkin was of the opinion that the steel workers should elect a representative who would defend the employee's rights against pressure by management.

Frank Lumpkin mentioned that at the Wisconsin Steel Company plant in Chicago, Illinois, where he works, it is a policy that two "chippers" must work together for reasons of safety. There was a recent situation where one chipper of a two-man team failed to report for work. The foreman wanted the other chipper to work by himself. This employee refused and immediately contacted his grievor. According to Lumpkin, the problem was settled at that time. The man did work that day, however, he did not work as a "chipper" because of the fact that the other man was absent.

Mario (LNU) indicated that he was employed in one of the Fabricating Steel plants in the Chicago area. Mario indicated that new machinery being introduced into the plant at which he works is causing considerable change in the jobs for the employees.

Flo Hall attempted to summarize the results of the discussions by outlining the problems and the possible solutions to them. Hall mentioned that she had attended a meeting of the National Auto Commission of the CP held the day before. Hall mentioned specific problems being faced by the Automobile industry are the generally pay scale and the hours in a working day. She mentioned another problem was to create sympathy and support from the automobile workers themselves to combat these problems.

Hall mentioned that one of the basic difficulties encountered is the problem of informing all the workers of the situation in order that they will have the actual facts. Once the workers are in possession of the facts concerning the problem, more action can be expected from the worker. Hall mentioned that she understood that there is a request from the National Steel Commission of the Party to publish information informing the workers of the problems through the CP press.

Hall stated that there will be a separate section of "The Worker" March 6, 1961 issue. This section can be distributed separately and will contain news concerning the situation in the steel industry throughout the United States. Hall asked all those present to contribute items to this issue.

It was the consensus of opinion by those present that methods must be found to get the Communist Party program to the workers and the simplest and most direct manner possible. A rough draft article prepared some time ago concerning the effect of speed-ups, automation, and job combining in the steel industry, prepared by Adams and Blum is to be revised and brought up to date. Once this article is made current, it is to be given to "The Workers Advance," CP publication in South Bend, Indiana, and to the National Steel Commission of the Party in order that it can be discussed at the coming NSC meeting to be held in Cleveland, Ohio in March. The committee of the following individuals was set up to revise this pamphlet:

Arthur Adams and Frank Lumpkin from the Lake County, Indiana CP steel section

Linsey Jones and Mario (LNU) from the Illinois CP steel section.

This committee is to meet on Friday, February 17, 1961, at the residence of Linsey Jones, [REDACTED]

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Arthur Adams mentioned that Joe Norrick had informed him that the cost for renting a room at the Gary Center of the Indiana University for the meeting held in December, 1960, featuring Donald Rarick, was \$25. Norrick had received previously \$10 from the Party to rent this room. However, according to Adams, Norrick stated that he had received a bill for \$25 for this rental. Linsey Jones collected \$10 from the Illinois group in attendance at this affair to give to Norrick. The Lake County CP steel section is to give Norrick an additional \$5 which will cover the cost of the rental.

Blum mentioned that Herbert Aptheker will be at Blum's residence in Chicago on Saturday evening, February 18, 1961. Blum invited all those in attendance to be at his residence at that time in order to hear Aptheker speak.

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March 17, 1961

SA JOHN WALLACE WERTZ

COMMUNIST PARTY
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On March 7, 1961, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, and whose identity should be concealed by request, furnished SA JOHN WALLACE WERTZ, by mail, an undated, unsigned report, concerning the meeting of the Committee for Freedom of the Press, February 19, 1961. This report is located in [redacted] It has been paraphrased and is set forth below:

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Recommendation: None.

1 - New York (100- [redacted])

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HERBERT APTHECKER) (RM)

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1 - 100-25191 (Committee for Freedom of the Press)
1 - 100-38162 (AAHA)
1 - 100-38016 [redacted]
1 - 100-38234 [redacted]
1 - 100-24010 [redacted]
1 - 100- [redacted] (Mr. KESSUER)
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On February 19, 1961, a meeting of the Committee for Freedom of the Press was held at the Fine Arts Building, 410 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. This meeting was attended by approximately 85 individuals some of whom were identified as follows:

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HERBERT APTHECKER
GENE MOSIER
ALICE MOSIER
MARCIA STARR
MR. KESSUER
EARL _____ (Master of Ceremonies)

A Negro gentleman, who was Master of Ceremonies at the affair and who was overheard using the name EARL, introduced the main speaker, who was HERBERT APTHECKER.

APTHECKER's speech dealt with the present day plight of the Negro and a summary of the Civil War with the emphasis on the contributions and acquisitions of new found rights by the Negro. APTHECKER brought out the following points:

- 1) Oppression of the Negro people is a basic fact in our history.
- 2) Racism may destroy our country.
- 3) The contributions of the Negro people were basic to the success of the Civil War.
- 4) Former President EISENHOWER exerted great patience concerning the progress made in the field of civil rights, but found no such patience exercised concerning sending troops into Lebanon or breaking diplomatic relations with Cuba.
- 5) Negro and white unity is needed to hold the nation together.
- 6) Acts, not words, are needed to fight Negro oppression.
- 7) The 13th and 14 Amendments to the Constitution were brought into being as a result of the Civil War and slave property was confiscated by the government.

8) There was international solidarity behind the fight for the freedom of the slave. England and France were among the supporting nations.

9) Marxist classes were present during Civil War and voted against the confederacy. Marxist writings praised LINCOLN even at that time. Communists helped to form the Republican Party during the time of LINCOLN here in the United States.

Following APTHECKER's main speech there was a generous applause and then a question and answer period. Some of the questions and answers are paraphrased below:

Q. What do you think of the works of CARL SANDBERG?

A. I don't believe he covers everything, but I have high regard for his works.

Q. What are the solutions to the problems facing our present day society?

A. Socialism - is the solution to our capitalist society.

Q. Since the death of LUMUMBA, what effect is African liberation having on liberation in America?

A. Both movements have identical enemies - imperialists. LUMUMBA's death is having enormous impact throughout the world as well as in this country.

EARL, the Master of Ceremonies of the meeting, announced that the African-American Heritage Association (AAHA) would hold a mass meeting on February 24, 1961, at 729 East Oakwood Boulevard. Featured will be speakers from Africa who will deal in truth about the murder of PETRICE LUMUMBA and its effect on the people of the world, especially the African-American people.

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The source advised that the conduct of the meeting was very orderly and said that the question and answer period possibly had been pre-arranged.

ADDENDUM

A copy of this memorandum is being channelized to EARL DURHAM's file since [] has advised DURHAM was the Master of Ceremonies at this affair.

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1 - New York (100-) (MAY LNU) (412)
1 - New York (100-138920) [Redacted] (4)
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✓ On 3/6/61, Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER taught his course, "Current Problems in Marxist Theory" at the New York School for Marxist Studies, N.Y.C.

During this course he discussed religion, its sources, consequences today, classical Marxist approach towards religion, religion today in the United States.

There were about 15 people present including:

JEAN LNU, attended KLEIN's class during winter term
JACKIE HARRIS
MAY LNU, attended KLEIN's class during winter term
ALFRED WHITE who sat next to MAY LNU
PAULA KRANES

APTHEKER said Marxism is many things. He also said it is not vulgar to believe in Atheism. He said Marx & Lenin were opposed to organized religion.

He said that when the Czar's were in charge of Russia, they were the power behind the church.

He said when the Communists moved into Russia, they found the Czar's church was corrupt.

He also said the church in the U.S. is separate ^{for} from white and black.

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With reference to the characterization of the New York
School for Marxist Studies, the first source, [redacted] has
furnished reliable information in the past and the second
source, [redacted]
is in a position to furnish reliable information. (C) (U)

With reference to the characterization of the
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Synopsis: APTHEKER attended meetings of the National Committee, CP, USA on 1/20, 21 and 22/61 and Crown Heights Section of the Kings County CP on 12/8/60 and 1/15/61. Excerpts from his articles in the January and February, 1961 issues of "Political Affairs" set out. Articles in the 2/12, 19 and 26/61 and 3/5/61 issues of "The Worker" set forth. Lectured at New York School for Marxist Studies from November, 1960 to February, 1961. Subject delivered radio address on 2/28/61 on the American Civil War Centennial. (C) (U)

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DETAILS:

The Communist Party, USA (CP, USA) has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

PART I.

COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES OF THE SUBJECT

~~(C)~~ CP Meetings Attended

~~(C)~~ 1. Attendance at Meetings of the National Committee, CP, USA

On January 20, 21 and 22, 1961, NY T-1 advised that on these dates a meeting of the National Committee of the CP, USA was held at Adelphi Hall, 74 Fifth Avenue, New York City. ~~(C)~~ (U)

The informant added that on January 20 and 21, 1961, the subject was in attendance at these meetings. ~~(C)~~ (U)

The informant added that on January 20, 1961, APTEKER spoke briefly, but the informant furnished no details concerning the remarks of the subject on this occasion. ~~(C)~~ (U)

On January 27, 1961, NY T-2 advised that on January 20, 21 and 22, 1961, APTEKER attended all sessions of the meeting mentioned above. ~~(C)~~ (U)

The informant furnished no information relative to any pertinent activity on the part of the subject at these sessions. ~~(C)~~ (U)

On January 24, 1961, NY T-3 advised that on January 21 and 22, 1961, APTEKER attended sessions of the above meeting. ~~(C)~~ (U)

The informant furnished no information concerning any activity on the part of the subject at these sessions. ~~(C)~~ (U)

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2. Attendance at Crown Heights
Section of the Kings County CP

On December 12, 1960, NY T-4 advised that on December 8, 1960, APTHEKER was the instructor at a class sponsored by the Crown Heights Section of the Kings County CP, Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, New York. (U)

According to the informant, APTHEKER discussed Cuba and the reason the recent revolution succeeded, though previous revolutions had failed. APTHEKER added that previous revolutions were limited in scope and consequently resulted in no sociological changes. He pointed out that the "Socialist epoch" had made this recent revolution possible, but that the revolution was, by no means, a Communist revolution. (U)

On January 19, 1961, NY T-5 advised that on January 15, 1961, APTHEKER addressed the Crown Heights Section of the Kings County CP. (U)

At the outset of his talk, APTHEKER said that whenever he speaks in public, he carries among other responsibilities the responsibility of representing a "philosophy and ideology", of which he is "an adherent". He did not mention this philosophy by name. (U)

His lecture centered around the fact that Latin-America is "an over-exploited area". (U)

APTHEKER cited statistics of the suffering Latin-Americans and their production figures, as well as the total United States investment in Latin-America. He also pointed out the financial assistance given by Socialist countries to Cuba. (U)

On January 17, 1961, NY T-4 also verified the subject's appearance at the above meeting. (U)

According to the informant, APTHEKER stated that the strength of the Cuban revolution gives strength and hope to other Latin-American revolutionaries. Past (U)

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revolutions in Cuba have failed because once the revolt was successful, the new government was unable to obtain capital. The only sources of capital were monopolistic capitalists who denied the money because they did not want Cuba to become industrialized, as they desired to retain Cuba as a source of raw materials and a market for their finished products. (C) (U)

CASTRO's revolution was successful because of a new epoch in which his government was able to obtain funds which were pledged to Cuba by the Soviet Union, Poland, Czechoslovakia and China, these countries pledging to buy Cuban products and to furnish Cuba with industry and techniques. The Soviet Union also proposed an exchange of students with Cuba. (C) (U)

The success of the Russian Revolution was miraculous as the Soviets had no one to give them aid or funds. The Russian working-class was successful on its own. In World War II, the Nazis murdered 15,000,000 Russian men and 5,000,000 Russian women. Now the balance of power has changed--one-third of the world's population is in the Socialist camp and 40 per cent of the world's industrial capacity is controlled by Socialism. (C) (U)

Cuba is diversifying its crops. It is no longer a one-crop country and is raising more of its own food. The Cuban revolution is a national liberation revolution that is moving toward Socialism. (C) (U)

The American Navy and Marines would have intervened in the revolution if requested, but the general strike caused a complete collapse of the BATISTA government. (C) (U)

Never in the history of the United States has an outgoing administration deliberately left such a mess for an incoming administration. (C) (U)

Ordinarily, the severing of diplomatic relationships would be left to the incoming administration. Though President KENNEDY might like to resume diplomatic relations with Cuba, he could not do so for six months. Such a move would (C) (U)

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depend on the pressure brought to bear on the American people. It is vitally important that a letter-writing campaign be instituted and that letters be written to the President and the national legislators condemning the treatment by the United States of the country of Cuba and urging the resumption of diplomatic relations with that country. (C) (U)

On January 24, 1961, NY T-6 also furnished information on the above meeting. (C) (U)

According to this informant, APTHEKER stated that Russia is making loans at 2 per cent interest to Poland, Albania, Rumania, China and Cuba. (C) (U)

Cuba is in the process of diversifying its industry and trying not to be dependant on its sugar crop alone. (C) (U)

On January 16, 1961, NY T-7 also furnished information relative to the above meeting. (C) (U)

According to the informant, APTHEKER discussed the revolution in Cuba and added that this revolution differs from the "comic opera" aspects that had characterized revolutions in South America in the past. (C) (U)

He ended by stating that the Communist countries are now helping Cuba and he criticized what he referred to as the imperialistic policies of the United States. (C) (U)

B. Writings in "Political Affairs"

A characterization of "Political Affairs" is contained in the Appendix attached hereto.

In the issue of "Political Affairs" dated January, 1961, APTHEKER has an article entitled "American Morality and Marxism", in which he discusses instances of private and public immorality which he blames on the system of capitalism.

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APTHEKER writes in part as follows:

"The rebellion that is shaking the 'free world' from end to end is a rebellion that encompasses within it a spewing forth of the immorality of imperialism. In our own country where that imperialism is strongest and the immorality is deepest there is a rising sense of protest and outrage against the hypocrisy, pornography, sadism, irrationalism, graft, inhumanity. There is a breadth to this white organized movement perhaps as great as the still--insufficiently organized movement against war."

In the issue of "Political Affairs" dated February, 1961, APTHEKER is the author of an article captioned "The Civil War Centennial", in which he discusses the current celebration of the Centennial of the American Civil War.

APTHEKER writes in part as follows:

"The class character of the War, in terms of its conduct, is a dramatic feature. In the South, the common belief was that it was 'a rich man's war and a poor man's fight'; there popular disaffection from both Negro and white was a basic cause for the complete defeat of the Confederacy. In the North, too, this being a bourgeois-democratic effort, it is noteworthy that it was the working and farming masses--native and foreign-born--who bore the greatest share of the burden of winning the battle. It was the rich who fought the war in the counting-house and it was from the rich and the officer caste that one found the greatest proportion of copperheadism and treason. Where one had organized working-class elements, as in the early trade unions, these participated often en masse sometimes retaining their organizational identities, in defense of the republic."

C. Writings in "The Worker"

"The Worker is an East Coast Communist weekly newspaper.

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"The Worker", January 15, 1961, page 10, column 1, contains an advertisement reading as follows:

"Coming-- 'The American Civil War-- a Marxist Analysis' by Herbert Aptheker, noted historian and editor of 'Political Affairs'. Four articles in 'The Worker' will deal with the causes, conduct and class forces in the North and South. It will recount the role of the Negro people in the struggle and the opposition in the South to the Confederacy. The series will also cover the international aspects of the struggle, the results of the great conflict and its meaning for today."

"The Worker", dated February 12, 1961, page 6, column 1, contains an article captioned "The American Civil War; a Marxist Analysis. The Attack by the Slave Owners."

This article is in essence as follows:

APTHEKER characterized the Civil War as an attempted counter-revolutionary coup by a desperate slave-holding oligarchy. This group in the South was the aggressor and violently assaulted the sovereignty of the Republic.

The reason the South rebelled in 1861 was because it felt it had everything to gain and nothing to lose, fearing that its social-economic system faced a life and death struggle because of the outcome of the national elections of 1860.

APTHEKER listed the following four forces responsible for the outbreak of the War:

- "1. The social-economic transformation in the North and in the West, especially from 1840 onward.
2. The quantitative and qualitative growth of the abolitionist movement.

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3. The intensification of class conflict within the South itself.
4. The accumulation of organic contradiction within the slave-holding plantation system of the South."

"The Worker", dated February 19, 1961, page 5, column 4, contains an article entitled "The American Civil War; The Colossus with Feet of Clay".

This article is in essence as follows:

APTHECKER noted that KARL MARX was one of the few European public figures who maintained that the Confederacy would ultimately be defeated. MARX gave as his reason the fact that the North was not fighting the South, since it was a question of the Republic of the United States fighting the Confederacy. MARX described the latter as a colossus with feet of clay, based upon the slave-holding oligarchy without the devotion of the majority of the Southern people.

"The Worker", dated February 26, 1961, page 8, column 1, contains an article by APTHECKER entitled "The Negro People in the Civil War".

This article is in essence as follows:

APTHECKER writes that the role of the Negro in the Civil War was absolutely decisive. The Negro masses were in the forefront of the process of revolutionizing the conduct of the War.

The active role of the Negro people in fighting for their own emancipation and for the integrity of the Republic is established by the evidence.

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"The Worker", dated March 5, 1961, page 8, column 4, contains an article captioned "Lessons of the Civil War", written by APTHEKER.

This article is in essence as follows:

The real threat to the Republic lies in the forces of reaction. While the slavocratic oligarchy in the South attempted by force and violence to overthrow the Republic, the Negro and white producing masses were its defenders.

The oppression of the Negro people has been central to American history. Racism has been destructive of national strength and popular welfare.

In the Civil War, the contributions of the Negro were absolutely decisive in the ultimate victory of the United States.

The Marxist component was present and played an honorable, important role in the War.

(C) Lectures Delivered at the
New York School for Marxist Studies

A characterization of the New York School for Marxist Studies is contained in the Appendix attached hereto.

On December 2, 1960, NY T-8 advised that on November 21, 1960, APTHEKER delivered a lecture at the New York School for Marxist Studies, 853 Broadway, New York City. (C) (U)

The informant furnished no details relative to the lecture, but stated that APTHEKER spent most of the evening discussing his recent trip to East Berlin. APTHEKER claimed that he was treated well there. He added that there is an exodus of old people from East Berlin to West Berlin, and that there is an influx of young people into East Berlin from West Berlin. (C) (U)

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On November 29, 1960, NY T-9 furnished information relative to the above lecture. (C) (U)

The informant stated that APTHEKER had just returned from Europe on that date and spent most of the session discussing the trip. APTHEKER stated that he gave an address to a very large audience at Humboldt University in Berlin, Germany, and that there were people from 48 nations in the audience. (C) (U)

He said people move freely from East Germany to West Germany and that the United States does not give a true picture of conditions in that part of the world. (C) (U)

On November 22, 1960, NY T-10 corroborated the lecture of November 21, 1960. (C) (U)

According to the informant, APTHEKER stated that the Civil War produced an agricultural boom. He added that the capitalists realized the enormous profits from the railroads and farming monopolies denying the working man his rightful share in the profits. (C) (U)

On December 13, 1960, NY T-9 advised that on November 28, 1960, APTHEKER lectured a class at the New York School for Marxist Studies. (C) (U)

According to the informant, APTHEKER lectured on the American Civil War and the Reconstruction Period. This lecture concerned the slave-holding classes in the South and the exploitation of the South by the Wall Street interests. (C) (U)

On December 1, 1960, NY T-10 furnished information concerning the lecture mentioned above. (C) (U)

APTHEKER stated that the masses in the South did not support the Confederacy. He added that the Civil War was a counter-revolutionary plot of the land owners of the South to prevent a bourgeois-democratic republic from coming into being in the South. (C) (U)

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On December 21, 1960, NY T-11 advised that on December 16, 1960, a symposium was held at the school mentioned above. (C) (U)

According to the informant, APTHEKER quoted various articles concerning morals and pointed out that both the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Central Intelligence Agency consider good moral character as one of the most important qualities to be looked for in their recruiting program. (C) (U)

The informant summed up the lecture by stating that it was brought out by APTHEKER that the United States has no moral or ethical values because it is a capitalistic state. (C) (U)

On January 4, 1961, NY T-6 reported on the above meeting. (C) (U)

According to the informant, APTHEKER said that when he was recently in the Soviet Union, he noted the respect which the Russian people have for the CP, USA. (C) (U)

He added that the progressives, in which he included the CP, are the basis of the building of Socialism in the United States. (C) (U)

On December 20, 1960, NY T-5 advised that on December 17, 1960, APTHEKER acted as chairman of a symposium sponsored by the New York School for Marxist Studies. (C) (U)

According to the informant, several high-ranking members of the CP, USA spoke, taking as their main theme the "lack of proper moral attitude in the United States". (C) (U)

At the conclusion of the evening, APTHEKER summarized the speech and pointed out that the "animalistic, cannibalistic, dog-eat-dog" attitudes under American capitalism cannot be the proper moral principles to guide people. (C) (U)

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He blamed the class struggle and warned against the chauvinistic and Fascist attitudes that are current today. He praised the Left and added that one should be proud to be a part of the Communist movement.

On January 4, 1961, NY T-6 advised that on December 29, 1960, APTHEKER delivered a lecture at the New York School for Marxist Studies, sponsored by the Student Committee on Progressive Education (SCOPE).

A characterization of SCOPE is contained in the Appendix attached hereto.

According to the informant, APTHEKER stated that 1,000,000,000 people live under Socialism. He added that the east European countries of the Socialist world are not colonies, because they read and write; have producing industries and are not sources of raw materials for the Soviet Union. Now for the first time people all over the world are beginning to realize that they no longer need go hungry and this awareness is causing revolutions all over the world. (S) (U)

On January 18, 1961, NY T-10 advised that on January 16, 1961, APTHEKER delivered a lecture at the New York School for Marxist Studies. (S) (U)

The informant furnished no information relative to any significant activity on the part of the subject at the above lecture. (S) (U)

On January 27, 1961, NY T-10 advised that on January 23, 1961, APTHEKER delivered a lecture at the above referenced school. (S) (U)

APTHEKER stated that history is not made, it just happens. He added that the American Revolution was due to the bourgeoisie and anti-colonial nationals. (S) (U)

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On February 6, 1961, NY T-12 advised that on January 27, 1961, APTHEKER delivered a lecture at the above school. (C) (U)

According to the informant, the subject discussed the American Civil War from the Marxist standpoint. He deplored the current efforts of the popular magazines to present in a favorable light the South's participation in the Civil War. He then proceeded to a condemnation of the South and its policies relative to slavery. (C) (U)

On February 7, 1961, NY T-6 advised that on January 30, 1961, APTHEKER delivered a lecture at the above school. (C) (U)

According to the informant, APTHEKER stated that political parties are not mentioned in the United States Constitution. He criticized the political theories of eighteenth and nineteenth century political philosophers. (C) (U)

On January 31, 1961, NY T-10 advised that on January 30, 1961, APTHEKER conducted a class at the above school. (C) (U)

He discussed the views of the historian CHARLES BEARD concerning the American Civil War. (C) (U)

On February 2, 1961, NY T-6 advised that on January 23, 1961, APTHEKER addressed a class at the above school. (C) (U)

APTHEKER stated that Communism denies the existence of God. Agnosticism questions His existence; Deism affirms the existence of God, but adds that He no longer takes a personal interest in His creation. (C) (U)

On January 30, 1961, NY T-5 advised that on January 27, 1961, APTHEKER addressed a class at the above school. (C) (U)

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The informant furnished no information relative to any significant activity on the part of the subject at the above lecture.

On February 15, 1961, NY T-13 advised that on February 10, 1961, the New York School for Marxist Studies sponsored a program at the Sheraton Atlantic Hotel, Broadway and 34th Street, New York City. (C) (U)

This program had as its main speaker Dr. JULIO ALVAREZ DEL VAYO, former Foreign Minister of the Spanish Republic from 1936 to 1939. (C) (U)

DEL VAYO said he was not a citizen of the United States and hence was not in a position to criticize the United States Government. (C) (U)

He was followed by APTHEKER, who early in his speech asserted that he was a citizen of the United States and therefore was not bound by the same limitations as DEL VAYO. He inveighed against current United States policies toward Spain and he denounced the backing of FRANCISCO FRANCO by the United States Government. He spoke unfavorably of the United States Ambassadors assigned to Spain, saying that their arrogant manner had created resentment on the part of the Spanish people. (C) (U)

He described the Spanish Civil War as the beginning of World War II and said that until Spain is liberated, this war will not be ended. He urged that a campaign of letter-writing to the President of the United States and to other high officials be started, urging the government to cease its financial support of the Spanish dictatorship. (C) (U)

APTHEKER then devoted some time to a discussion of the New York School for Marxist Studies. He identified himself as the director of the school, but quickly pointed out that the school was collectively run by a board or committee. He invited those in attendance to join the school. (C) (U)

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The meeting ended with the approval of a resolution demanding that the FRANCO regime release all political prisoners. (S) (U)

On December 30, 1960, NY T-14 made available a mimeographed letter on the letterhead of the New York School for Marxist Studies, 853 Broadway, Room 1922, New York, New York. This letter is dated December 29, 1960 and is signed by HERBERT APTHEKER, Director. (S) (U)

The letter enclosed a copy of a catalog for the winter term of the school and also enclosed a report on the fall term of 1960. The letter urged the recipient to register for a class, inform his friends of the existence of the school and urge them to register. (S) (U)

(S) (U) February 21, 1961, NY T-8] made available the spring schedule of the above school.

This schedule lists the following courses to be taught by APTHEKER:

General Classes

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Starting March 6, 1961	Mondays 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	Current Problems in Marxist Theory
Starting March 6, 1961	Mondays 8:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	The United States in World Affairs

SCOPE Classes

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Starting March 10, 1961	Fridays 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	Current Practices of Socialist Societies
Starting March 10, 1961	Fridays 9:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.	A Historical Materialist Approach to American History: I

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E. Miscellaneous

On December 2, 1960, NY T-15 made available



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The above information is not to be made public except in the usual proceedings following the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

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A characterization of [redacted] is included in the Appendix attached hereto.

"The Worker" dated February 19, 1961, page 12, column 5, contained the following article:

"Aptheker on Air--Dr. Herbert Aptheker, Marxist historian and Editor of 'Political Affairs' is to appear as a regular commentator on the FM Radio Station WBAI, New York City. The opening broadcast is set for February 28, 7:00 p.m. to be rebroadcast on March 1 at 10:00 a.m."

At 7:00 p.m. on February 28, 1961, APTHEKER delivered an address on the radio program "The Commentator Series" over FM Radio Station WBAI, New York City.

The radio announcer stated that "The Commentator Series" introduces commentators who give their individual viewpoints on current issues. The announcer then introduced APTHEKER.

The following in essence is the address of APTHEKER.

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He stated that he wanted to express certain thoughts concerning the current celebration of the Centennial of the American Civil War, which he characterized as an orgy of Chauvinism, an apology for treason and a celebration of counter-revolution.

APTHERKER stated that the truth about the Civil War hammers home certain points. He said the real threat to the American Republic lies in the forces of reaction. During the Civil War, the first families of the South were responsible for the first attempt to overthrow the government. The basic defenders of the Republic were the producing masses, both Negro and white.

He said that policies of patience, compromise and gradualism are disastrous and are devices for the continuation of oppression. The sharply divided character of the South was clearly shown during the Civil War, though international solidarity was an outstanding feature of the Civil War.

The Civil War amendments were revolutionary acts and constituted important precedents. The Civil War began as a counter-revolutionary attempt and ended as a revolutionary development.

According to APTHERKER, the full potential of the revolutionary content of the War was aborted. It remains for our generation to complete that revolution.

On February 27, 1961, NY T-1 advised that during the period from February 23 to 24, 1961, a high-ranking member of the CP, USA commented that it seemed to him that APTHERKER is using his position on the magazine "Political Affairs" for his own advancement and that the material of others that he is putting in that publication is not edited properly. (C) (U)

He added that the responsibility for the delayed publication of "Political Affairs" should be placed in the lap of APTHERKER. In view of these facts, he stated that consideration should be given to having APTHERKER replaced on "Political Affairs" by JAMES ALLEN. (C) (U)

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(X) [NY T-16] has reported that JAMES ALLEN was elected to the National Committee of the CP, USA at its 17th National Convention held in December, 1959.

PART II.

BACKGROUND

A. Residence

On March 14, 1961, Mrs. HYMAN BLOCK, [redacted] advised SA FRANCIS J. COSTIGAN that HERBERT APTHEKER and his family continue to reside on the second floor of the dwelling at 32 Ludlam Place, Brooklyn, New York.

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B. Employment

Recent issues of "Political Affairs" including the February, 1961 issue, list HERBERT APTHEKER as Editor of that monthly publication.

Recent issues of "Mainstream", including the February, 1961 issue, list HERBERT APTHEKER as a member of the Board of Editors of that publication.

A characterization of "Mainstream" is contained in the Appendix attached hereto.

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APPENDIX

INTERNATIONAL PUBLISHERS

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning International Publishers:

"International Publishers

- "1. 'The (Communist) Party's publishing house,' headed by Alexander Trachtenberg.
(Attorney General Francis Biddle, Congressional Record, September 24, 1942, p. 7686.)
- "2. An 'official publishing house of the Communist Party in the United States,' and a medium through which 'extensive Soviet propaganda is subsidized in the United States.'
(Special Committee on Un-American Activities, Annual Reports, House Report 1476, January 3, 1940, p. 8, and House Report 2277, June 25, 1942, p. 18; also cited in House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 76.)
- "3. 'Official American Communist Party publishing house.'
(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1920 on the Communist Party of the United States as an advocate of overthrow of Government by force and violence, May 11, 1948, p. 80)"

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"MASSES AND MAINSTREAM"

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning "Masses and Mainstream":

"Masses and Mainstream"

- "1. Cited as the successor to New Masses, 'a Communist magazine.'
(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1953 on the Congress of American Women, April 26, 1950, originally released October 23, 1949, p. 75; also cited in House Report 1694 on Organized Communism in the United States, May 28, 1954, originally released August 19, 1953, p. 98.)"

* Name changed to Mainstream with September 1956 issue of this publication.

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THE NEW YORK SCHOOL FOR MARXIST STUDIES,
FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE PEOPLE'S SCHOOL
FOR MARXIST STUDIES

In September, 1960, a source advised that BETTY GANNETT announced at a meeting of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA), New York District (NYD) Staff, held September 16, 1960, that the People's School For Marxist Studies (PSMS) was founded in September, 1960, as the result of a decision of the CP, USA, NYD.

"The Worker", an East Coast Communist weekly newspaper, in its issue of September 6, 1959, refers to BETTY GANNETT as New York State CP Educational Director.

The CP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

"The Worker" of October 16, 1960, announced the opening of the New York School For Marxist Studies (NYSMS) with general classes beginning October 17, 1960 and Student Committee on Progressive Education (Youth) Classes beginning October 14, 1960. The address is reported as 853 Broadway at 14th Street, New York, New York, Room 1922.

Another source made available a letter to the NYSMS dated October 5, 1960, reflecting HERBERT APTHEKER as Director.

HERBERT APTHEKER testified on July 14, 1954, in the case of United States versus Kuzma, Et Al (Smith Act), United States District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania. He testified that he was, at that time, a member of the CP and that he had been a member of the CP since 1939. He also testified that he had never been an officer in the CP, however, he had offered his services as a CP teacher. He testified further that he had taught classes in American History and theory of Marxism-Leninism under CP auspices, and that all his writings since 1939 or 1940, had been consciously guided by what he thought was the "light of Marxism-Leninism."

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The April, 1960 issue of "Political Affairs" identified itself as "A Theoretical and Political Magazine of Scientific Socialism".

While under direct examination as a defense witness in the United States versus ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, ET AL, Criminal Docket C 136-7, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, on October 20, 1952, ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN testified that "Political Affairs" is the theoretical organ of the Communist Party of the United States and has been so since the magazine was "set up" in 1945.

"The Worker", an East Coast Communist weekly newspaper, in its issue dated January 3, 1960, identified ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN as a Vice Chairman of the Communist Party of the United States.

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STUDENT COMMITTEE ON PROGRESSIVE EDUCATION (SCOPE)

A confidential source advised on June 16, 1958, that SCOPE was formed in early 1958, by a group of individuals who were believed to be, by the source, sympathizers of the former Labor Youth League (LYL).

The LYL has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Another confidential source made available on April 1, 1958, a brochure put out by SCOPE which sets forth that the members of SCOPE believed that youth ought to know and so they are trying, in a modest way, to provide conditions in which youth can broaden their knowledge and improve their understanding of this "changing, perplexing, and exciting age." According to this brochure, to accomplish this SCOPE is conducting classes for youth taught by Marxist instructors.

Another confidential source advised on November 20, 1958, that at the third day's session of the National Executive Committee (NEC), Communist Party (CP), USA, held that day in New York City, ROBERT THOMPSON, Executive Secretary, CP, USA, stated that in New York there is a group of about 21 youths who have been a very active force in youth and formed a group called SCOPE, a student committee on progressive education which has run for the last year with young people with a Marxist character. They have made a national tour of the Party using "real cloak and dagger" operation methods as far as the Party apparatus is concerned, making intelligent contacts and organized, unbeknown the Party, a cadre that would bring into being and revive a Marxist organization. THOMPSON stated that approximately 8 or 10 of this group are CP members.

Another confidential source advised on March 24, 1959, that during a meeting of the NEC, CP, USA, held on March 21, 1959, HYMAN LUMER, CP, USA, Educational Director, stated that in New York, most of the discussions on youth are between the National Office (CP) and two groups of young people who function in New York, which are either Party groups or pro-Party groups. The first group is called SCOPE (Student Committee on Progressive Education). This group stands closest to the CP leadership.

"The Worker", an East Coast Communist weekly newspaper, dated February 14, 1960, page 13, column 4, carried an article captioned "Youth Classes" wherein is stated that the Student

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STUDENT COMMITTEE ON PROGRESSIVE EDUCATION (SCOPE) CONT'D.

Committee on Progressive Education is offering a series of Marxist classes for youth beginning Friday, February 26, 1960, at Academy Hall, 853 Broadway, New York City.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
New York, New York

March 24, 1961

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. New York 100-80532

Title **Herbert Eugene Aptheker**

Character **Internal Security - C;**
 Internal Security Act of 1950
Reference **Report of Special Agent Francis**
J. Costigan, dated and captioned as above, at New York.

All sources (except any listed below) used in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532)

DATE: 3/21/61

FROM : SA FRANCIS J. COSTIGAN (#415)

SUBJECT: HERBERT APTHEKER, aka
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DESTRUCTION MEMORANDUM

ReNYrep as captioned above and dated 3/24/61.

The Chief Clerk is instructed to destroy the following serials in instant file:

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The information contained in the above serials has been incorporated in the above referenced report.

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4/27/61

SA JOSEPH T. QUIGLEY

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Identity of Source

[REDACTED] who has
furnished reliable
info in past (conceal)

Description of Info

Meeting of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Date Received

4/10/61

Received By

SA JOSEPH T. QUIGLEY
written

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A copy of informant's written report follows.

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(ADVANCE) (414)
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On [redacted] had lunch with [redacted]
[redacted] They discussed her activity in the [redacted]
[redacted] She said that tiring of the
immaturity of the members of "Advance" she thought she would
[redacted] and with a friend's counsel, joined the [redacted]
club. She said she sympathized with the residents of that
area. She said that she had been appointed a representative
of her club to attend the caucuses of the [redacted]
[redacted] She mentioned a [redacted] as being an
influential member of the Club. She spoke of various pro-
jects, such as hiring a sound truck, printing a leaflet,
etc.

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✓ She spoke of going to classes at the New York School with
her friend [redacted] They occasionally attended a course given
by Dr. APPEKKER on U.S. Foreign Policy. She criticized him
for being too dogmatic and anti-American in his stands. For
example, she quoted him as saying that Cuba was not a
socialist society because the State did not own all the farm
land. She said that the Communists were jealous because
Cuba was not completely aligned with them. She said that
another class on Psychology was also quite narrow-mindedly
taught in a strict Pavlovian manner.

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She said that she was still out of work and had no immediate
prospects, although she was spending quite a bit of time
working with the Club.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532)

HERBERT APTHEKER
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(OO: NY)

On 12/10/58, at NYC, the Passport Division of the U.S. State Department, issued HERBERT APTHEKER a passport number 1273187.

APTHEKER, who was born on 7/31/15, Brooklyn, N.Y., resides at 32 Ludlam Place, Brooklyn, N.Y.

WFO is requested to obtain copies of the photograph of subject appearing in his passport file and forward same to NYO.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100- 80532)
FROM : SA F.J. MC LAUGHLIN, Jr.
SUBJECT: HERB APTHEKER
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DATE: 28 APR 1961

NY 694-S* advised on 3/30/61, that the National and New York State offices of the Communist Party; the Editorial and Office Staff of "The Worker," an East Coast weekly Communist newspaper, currently occupy the premises at 23 W. 26th St., NYC.

The above captioned subject was observed at 23 W. 26th St., as indicated below:

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532)

DATE: 4/28/61

FROM : SA ROBERT G. OPTEDAL

SUBJECT: HERBERT APTHEKER
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Identity of Informant

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Characterization

Who has furnished reliable
information in the past

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4/25/61

The informant advised that LOUIS WEINSTOCK contacted HERB APTHEKER on 4/25/61, and arranged for APTHEKER to speak at a session of "The Worker" Readers' Conference to be held in room 813, Adelphi Hall, Thursday, May 11.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532)

HERBERT EUGENE APTHEKER
IS-C
(OO: New York)

ReBuairtel, 4/20/61.

Buairtel advised NYO that HERBERT APTHEKER is expected to be called before the HCUA on 4/26 and 28/61.

The most recent report in this case was submitted on 3/24/61. There is no current pertinent information in this case. No additional report will be submitted.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-140667)

5/1/61

SA ARTHUR S. BENNETT (414)

ADVANCE
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[redacted] on 4/8/61, that the First Session of the First Annual Convention of ADVANCE got underway in Room 10B Adelphi Hall, 74 Fifth Ave., NYC, at 11:35 a.m. on 4/8/61. The First Session was taken up with reading and approving the agenda, talks by a guest, and panel discussions. According to this informant, an unknown female (believed to be SHELLY HIRSHMAN) was Chairman of this session. An unknown male (believed to be MARVIN MARKMAN) was the first speaker. This unknown male talked about "our" contribution to brotherhood in America. He spoke of "our democratic rights and this is the time of real challenge to us. He stated that throughout history the US youth have stood up for their rights.

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The Chairman then introduced HERBERT APTHEKER of the Marxist School. APTHEKER spoke on the moral responsibility of youth. He stated that corruption in our country is contributing to the failures in our country. He said that President EISENHOWER urged a national approach to the youth problem, however, it took 14 months for a commission on youth to be appointed, which prepared a report which said nothing. APTHEKER stated that in every city thousands of men and women are unemployed, no money or food. In South Korea, there are beggars all around. In Seoul, Americans have done little for the workers. In the American colony in Seoul the people have everything they need, while the Koreans are starving. He stated that the struggle for Socialism is the struggle for democracy and the struggle for peace is the struggle for Socialism. He urged the youth present to take a firm part, marching together in their country to unite the young people of America.

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According to this informant, after a recess for lunch MIKE STEIN, spoke, STEIN said that what is needed is a youth organization to educate the youth and that we have such an organization in ADVANCE. He then outlined what separate clubs, teenage high school and college groups. We have established relationship with Negro and Cuban groups. STEIN then spoke on ADVANCE participation in protest rallies, picket lines and peace marches. He stated that ADVANCE supports these activities and we must be part and parcel of these activities. He said that we must fight and join together for unity, equality in schools, shops and etc. He stated that we must defeat the cries for anti-Communism.

STEIN also stated that our clubs are taking shape and they are the most important factor to further ADVANCE. The clubs must be social, fraternal, attract youth, develop leaders and be alert to problems of their members. Our groups and clubs are giving directions to the youth and developing their own programs. He stated that this will make ADVANCE a growing organization. STEIN continued by stating that the youth and ADVANCE will engage in athletics, social and cultural activities and this will demand time and money. We have a task before us to organize the youth of America - the future is ours - many will try to stop us, but let's make it a march forward.

According to this informant, after STEIN's talk a general discussion was held regarding the past years activities and the future of ADVANCE. All speakers agreed with APTHEKER and STEIN's talk. Following this general discussion, the Chairman then announced that the convention would break-up into 3 smaller groups for panel discussion. After the panel discussions the convention was recessed until 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, 4/3/61.

SAC, NEW YORK (100-80633)

5/2/61

SA ROBERT G. SWEENEY

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[redacted] on 4/18/61, made available to SA JOHN A. HAAG a two page mimeographed memorandum, captioned, "Note to Members of the National Committee," and signed by PHIL BART. This memorandum, which is undated, reflects an article under the caption "Some Notes on Campus Developments in recent period," by H. APTHEKER.

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This article consists of APTHEKER's observations based on practice of repeated visits to campuses throughout the nation.

The mimeographed article is being serialized into 100-80633.

①-NY (100-80532) (HERBERT APTHEKER) (414)
1-NY (100-56579) [redacted]
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, CHICAGO (100-19431) DATE: 5-2-61

FROM : SA BRYCE S. PLESNER

SUBJECT: ILLINOIS CP
STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY
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On February 20, 1961, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally furnished SA BRYCE S. PLESNER information concerning a meeting of Illinois CP Industrial Club members with HERBERT APTHEKER on February 18, 1961.

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This information was placed in a written report and subsequently read and signed by the informant as being correct. The signed report can be located in [redacted] and reads as follows:

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1-100- (HERBERT APTHEKER)
1-100- (A. PHILLIP RANDOLPH)
1-100- (COMINFIL - NALC)

4 - Indianapolis (RM)
1-100- (MALE NEGRO, 40-45, 5'10", 200 pounds)
1-100- (MALE NEGRO, 45, 5'9-10", 195 pounds)
1-100- (MALE NEGRO, 35, 5'8", 155 pounds)
1-100- (FEMALE WHITE, early 40s, 5'6", 120-125 pounds)

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1 - 100-18685 [redacted]
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Chicago, Illinois
February 20, 1961

✓ On February 18, 1961, a meeting of Illinois Communist Party (CP) members from industry was held with HERB APTHEKER at 5432 South Harper, Chicago.

Of those in attendance, the following were identified:

FRANK ROSEN
ARMANDO RAMIREZ
SAM KUSHNER
CHARLIE WILSON
CARRIE MAY BEVERLY
MANNY BLUM
AL HANOVER
NATE SHARPE
HERB APTHEKER

LOIS ROSEN
FLO HALL
ARPAD BALLA
VILBERFORCE JONES
VERRA BLUM
NATALIE MYERS
RENEE HANOVER
MIKE SAUNDERS

The following people were present, possibly from Gary, Indiana. These persons are all unknown, but from conversation it is felt they might be from steel as HALL was overheard mentioning to them that ARMSTRONG would see them.

Negro male, 45-50, 5'10", 200 pounds, stocky build, black hair-graying at temples, dark complexion.

Negro male, 45, 5'9"-10", 195 pounds, stocky build, dark complexion, hair thinning in front, wearing glasses.

Negro male, 35, 5'8", 155 pounds, average build, light complexion, full head of black hair.

White female, early 40s, 5'6", 120-125 pounds, thin build, brown hair, reddish complexion.

✓ This meeting was more social in nature than anything and there was food and refreshment. The main purpose of the meeting was to have people from industry get acquainted with the speaker, HERB APTHEKER.

APTHEKER spoke on the Negro in the labor union movement and stated that some unions in the 1850s and 1860s admitted Negroes to the membership ranks. These unions did not last long

and were replaced by the International Workers of the World (IWW). The IWW started a policy on segregation in the union ranks, and this policy has persisted ever since. There have been only a few locals allowing segregation since that time.

In 1880 the AFL came into being and has been the predominant union since its inception. All unions, international in scope, were affiliated with the AFL. The majority of unions did not permit Negroes and possibly the two exceptions were United Mine Workers and the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers (IUMMSW). These two accepted Negro membership without question.

During the 1900s there was a great struggle for the admittance of Negroes in the AFL. Very little, if any, progress was made and the AFL leadership opposed this and went to the extreme of making it difficult for unions who did allow Negro members to remain in the AFL.

The CIO was organized in the 1930s under JOHN L. LEWIS and was made up of internationals which were not allowed to be affiliated with the AFL. At the inception of the CIO, the first convention saw Negro delegates present. At the convention JOHN L. LEWIS wanted Negroes to have representation on the Executive Board. MURRAY and others opposed this suggestion and defeated LEWIS on this point.

Since 1915 there have been Negroes in the UMN and they have been afforded the opportunity of having representation on the Executive Board of the UMN. This illustrates how advanced the trade union leadership of JOHN L. LEWIS really was.

In the early 1940s there was a struggle for power in the CIO and even though LEWIS had led the union for several years he withdrew his union from the CIO and made the UMN independent. His union remained independent for a few years after which he reaffiliated with the CIO. He did not remain with the CIO long as he did not agree with the policies of the CIO and again withdrew and became independent.

During this time the Negro did an excellent job of organizing the unorganized and there was a large number of Negro workers taken into the membership of the AFL and CIO; however, both unions had Jim Crow and lily-white locals. Today there is still a problem of getting the Negro established in the AFL-CIO and there is only one Negro on the Executive Board of the AFL-CIO and this is A. PHILLIP RANDOLPH.

This reflects on the past practices of these unions relative to their positions on discrimination. It is now time for the Negro people to carry on a fight for their right to hold office in the trade unions. APTHEKER praised RANDOLPH for establishing the Negro American Labor Council to carry on the fight for the Negro in this field. MEANY and REUTHER are opposed to the NALC, but are actually responsible for the organization being started because it was through their actions and statements concerning the advancement of the Negro in the trade unions which prompted RANDOLPH to organize this group.

APTHEKER stated there are still some independent unions which give union representation. The IUMMSW has a vice president and two international representatives who are Negroes. The UE has Negroes who are in leadership positions within that union. The International Longshoremen's Union has Negro leaders. APTHEKER stated that if these unions can recognize the Negro, there is no reason why other unions should not give the Negroes equal representation on leading union Executive Boards. It is necessary that the Negroes organize a campaign to fight the unions for this recognition.

TO: SAC, Boston (100-5990)
FROM: SA WALTER M. BRADY
SUBJECT: BOSTON JEWISH PEOPLE'S FORUM
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DATE: 5/1/61

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Meeting of Boston Jewish People's Forum at
Dorchester, Massachusetts, which was addressed
by HERBERT APTHEKER on 4-9-61

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Remarks:

In view of the sensitivity of this informant, the utmost care must be utilized to carefully paraphrase this information prior to dissemination in order to protect the identity of this informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Informant's report follows:

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(Herbert Aptheker)

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"I Sponsor

- A. Jewish Peoples Forum
 - 1 156 Wellington Hill St.
 - 11 Mattapan, Mass.

"II Speaker

- A. Dr. APTHEKER
 - 1. Editor of Political Affairs

"III Topic

- A. The Meaning of the Revolution in Cuba
 - 1. United States and all colonial Powers should keep their hands off Cuba and let them choose which form of government they want
 - a. What right has the United States in dictating domestic policy to free Cuban citizens
 - 2. The reason why revolts can now be accomplished
 - a. Twenty years ago the colonial powers would own smaller countries completely by their foreign investments
 - 1. banks
 - 2. railroads
 - 3. oil
 - 4. telephone
 - 5. hotels
 - 6. basic economic products of country
 - b. The people of the country would work the land and through their energy make millions of dollars for their colonial oppressors getting the barest necessities out of life if they were lucky to get that
 - c. What could the people do to change this situation - well they could revolt and put into power a new administration
 - 1. Colonial powers would immediately 'talk to' the new head of government and explain what they wanted done telling him that if he did not follow their ideas they would shut off the electric power, stop the oil flow, stop buying the major products of the country, shut down the railroads - airplanes - shipping and make sure that the banks of the country did not lend them money, etc. - thus crippling the country
 - d. Because of this the new head of government had to agree to the colonial powers suggestions all the time thus turning the head of government into a new hired help in the house owned by the Capitalist big business corporations -

- "if need be they would give the new hired help a small raise but it was not his house
- e. Twenty years ago this was the perfect example of exploitation throughout all the under-developed countries of the world and the capitalist countries were sucking all the profits out of these nations
1. Capitalist corporations owned hundreds of other nations exploiting the people all they wanted with no alternative solution for these countries - they could do nothing about this situation
- f. Today these same countries have an alternative which they did not have before and that is a socialist system which has many strong nations which led by the Soviet Union can help them brake away from this exploitation by the colonial powers
1. example - Cuba 90 miles away from the United States was owned by the corporations of this country namely
 - Standard Oil
 - Texaco
 - United Fruit
 - Edison
 - First National Bank
 - Chase Manhattan Bank
 - The basic economic product sugar
- g. After the masses revolted and CASTRO came into power the United States felt that once again they could 'talk to' this leader the same as they had done in the past to other leaders of revolting nations explaining to him that he just worked for them and if the United States wanted to they could economically strangle the country
- a. The most important thing to watch in this example of Cuba's independence is the sharp turn away from the capitalist society instead of hang'ng on to them
 - b. This upset the United States very much and they started their economic strangulation of the little country but each time the United States put into effect a corrective measure such as not buying Cuban sugar the Soviet Union and all the socialist states stated they would buy the sugar at more money and lend Cuba money at half the interest rate that the United States was charging her and she could take twice as long to pay

- "c. The United States was so angry that they would not train the Cuban personnel to run the industries, again the Soviet Union came to the rescue telling the Cuban people if their farmers could learn how to work big factories and highly industrialized businesses and send a man into outer space then the Soviet Union would teach Cuba to do the same
- d. Every device to hurt Cuba economically was thwarted by the Soviet Union - all socialist governments proved through their actions in Cuba that their now was an alternative, after revolution, to break completely with Colonial Powers and start their own socialist system were hard work would be repaid by prosperity for all
- e. Small nations all over the world have seen the Cuban example work and have gained great strength from it, soon all underdeveloped nations will follow the plan CASTRO used and they to will be free from Colonial exploitation
- f. The people in the United States must be made to realize the facts about how the big corporations in this country have exploited the Cuban people treating them as slaves
 - a. Now that they are free the masses of people in the U. S. should make the corporations and government keep their hands off of Cuba and let them develop whatever system is best for them
 - b. Write your U. S. senator and representative expressing the individual ideas which you as progressive thinkers believe on this subject - this is very important and will help Cuba stay free

"IV Type of Literature

- A. Envelope - S. PLATT 7 Morse St. Dorchester
 - i Announcement of meeting
 - ii Enclosed within
- B. Shershenko Meeting and Concert
 - i Enclosed within
- C. On the Nature of Revolution
 - i Book enclosed within

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"V. Composition of Group

A. Total Attendance 145

i. Women 50%

- 45% over 40 yrs. old
- 5% under 40 yrs. old
- The red flame was present at the meeting for the first time since the article about her in the Boston Traveler. She was very busy passing out blue cards to friends of the Forum and collecting money

ii. Men 50%

- 30% over 40 yrs. old
- 20% under 40 yrs. old
(most in 20's to 30)
- 1 Cuban man
- The most amount of young people I have seen in a forum meeting this past season"

All necessary action has been taken in this matter.

SAC, NEW YORK (100-84994)

5/8/61

SA JOSEPH V. WATERS

GUS HALL
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[redacted] has reported that on 5/3/61, HERB (APTHEKER) informed GUS HALL that JACK LAWSON was then at his office and wanted to see HALL sometime. HALL agreed to see him at the HALL office at 11:00 a.m. on 5/10/61.

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APTHEKER also told HALL that WBAI had called with a "very interesting proposition." He said he would speak to those fellows and they would contact HALL, this being agreeable to him.

① NY (100-80532) (HERBERT APTHEKER) (415)
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)

DATE: 5-8-61

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-33741)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
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EXTREME CARE MUST BE UTILIZED IN CONNECTION WITH THE HANDLING AND REPORTING OF THE INFORMATION SET FORTH HEREIN IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE IDENTITY OF THIS HIGHLY PLACED SOURCE. SINCE THE INFORMATION SET FORTH CAN READILY BE ATTRIBUTED TO THE SOURCE BECAUSE OF THE FORM IN WHICH IT WAS RECEIVED, IT SHOULD BE CAREFULLY PARAPHRASED BEFORE IT IS SET FORTH IN ANY REPORT FOR DISSEMINATION.

3 - Bureau (RM) (Encls. 6)

1 - 100-1287 (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN)

1 - Los Angeles (100-4486) [redacted] (RM)

9 - New York (Encls. 6) (RM)

1 - 100-54965 [redacted]

1 - 100- (JESSICA ABT)

① - 100-80532 (HERBERT APTHEKER)

1 - 100-110888 (Mrs. HERBERT APTHEKER)

1 - 100- (PEGGY DENNIS)

1 - 100-1696 (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN)

1 - 100-119221 [redacted]

1 - 100-86624 (CP, USA - INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS)

1 - 100-80641 (CP, USA - ORGANIZATION)

[redacted]
1 - 100- (PEGGY DENNIS)

1 - 100- (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN)

1 - 100- (HELEN LIMA)

[redacted]
1 - 100-1465 [redacted]

1 - 100-27747 (CP, NORTHERN CALIFORNIA DIST. - ORGANIZATION)

1 - 100-9727 ("PEOPLES WORLD")

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On May 2, 1961, CG 5824-S*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, made available to SA RICHARD W. HANSEN a handwritten letter prepared by ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, Chairman, Communist Party, USA (CP, USA); dated April 29, 1961, at San Francisco, California. FLYNN is currently on a Western tour of the United States. Included with FLYNN's handwritten letter were two enclosures, one a typewritten letter from ANNIE BULLER, a member of the CP of Canada currently residing in Prague, Czechoslovakia, where her husband is employed on the "World Marxist Review". The other enclosure was a clipping from the publication "Vlasta", a women's weekly printed in Prague in the Czechoslovak language. Reportedly, this article pertains to the election of FLYNN as Chairman, CP, USA, and had been prepared by BULLER. In regard to this latter item, the Bureau may desire to prepare a translation thereof and furnish same to the New York Office.

All of the above items were photostated by the Chicago Office and returned to the source on May 3, 1961. One photostat of each of these items was retained by the Chicago Office and has been made an exhibit in Chicago file 100-33741-1B3 (212). Two photostats of each of these items are being enclosed herewith for the Bureau and for the New York Office.

Set forth below is the verbatim content of the handwritten letter of ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN dated April 29, 1961. Only minor personal data has been eliminated in order to protect the identity of the source. The information appearing in parentheses was supplied by the source on May 2, 1961, for assistance in interpreting the content of this item.

"San Francisco - Calif.
April 29 - 1961 -

"Dear

"It was unfortunate, in a way, that when you called Peggy (DENNIS) was with me. You might have been able to speak more freely. Mickie (LIMA) came in while you were talking to her - we all /Helen (LIMA), M (MICKEY LIMA), P. (PEGGY DENNIS) and me/ went for a Chinese dinner last night. But maybe it was

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just as well in another way - you did talk to her and she realized you could not say everything on the phone. As we understand from Mickie, John P. (PITTMAN) plans to stay at least another year, if his passport is renewed. He is anxious we should begin now to look for a replacement. The training on the P. W. ("Peoples World") would help her a great deal if then it was considered she go there later. I advise her don't try to plan everything out too far ahead. Now prepare for the summer, and the P.W. possibility. It would be a great mistake, in my judgement, for her to settle in N.Y.C. Here would be much better. I tried to get her to come to L.A. with me. She has a host of relatives there. But she doesn't want to do it. She will come East at the end of May.

".....

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"Enclosed is from the Oakland Tribune - Knowland's paper, syndicated I guess. It ought to help our meeting tonight. Save for me. I keep a yearly scrapbook of columns and clips. Also are from Prague. Am so glad so many good people are having nice vacations - including John and Jessica (ABT). Our turn will come! Mrs. (HERBERT) Aptheker is there (U.S.S.R.) with one of her groups, he (HERBERT APTHEKER) tells me. They'll need that new big hotel they are building for tourists.

"Packed away among all the snide remarks in that book "Only In Russia" is some good information. You have to search for it. I'm leaving it with Mickie and he will return it to us in NY. You may want to send it to friends.

"Peggy asked if you could arrange for Dorothy (HEALEY) to see T. (TIMUR TIMOFEEV, son of PEGGY DENNIS in Moscow). She knew him as a baby. It will take too long for her to write him etc.

".....

"Elizabeth"

Set forth below is the full text of the letter of ANNIE BULLER furnished as an enclosure to FLYNN's letter:

"April 17, 1961.

"Dear Elizabeth,

"Thanks for your letter from Seattle, Wash. Your remark about the possibility of seeing us in the Fall is certainly good news, and we hope it will be realized. As soon as we read in the press about your new position, we sent you our greetings and best wishes.

"The editors of the Women's weekly paper 'Vlasta' asked me to give them an article on your life and work. I complied with their request quite willingly, and I enclose it here for you to see. They shortened it a bit. I had no other picture of you, so they printed this small group picture from Roumania. You may be able to get somebody who reads Czech to translate it for you.

"Now that its getting warmer I hope to get around more. You must be having a successful trip, as the people, no doubt, are anxious to get your message. Particularly now, when the whole world stands in amazement and is full of praise for the first man in space -- a Soviet man, Yuri Gagarin. Our comments on this historic achievement are hardly necessary..

"Hoping these few lines find you in the best of health and spirits, the two of us send you our best wishes.

"Love,

"Annie"

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532)

DATE: 5/15/61

FROM : SA ROBERT G. OFTEDAL

SUBJECT: HERBERT APTHEKER
SM-C

"The Worker" edition of 5/14/61, page 11, column 5, carries the following announcement:

"Dr. Herbert Aptheker speaks on 'American Foreign Policy,' Sunday, May 21, 7:30 p.m. at: 1110 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn. Auspices Crown Heights Forum. Contribution 50 ¢."

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Date May 9, 1961

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by SA ANTHONY E. CONSTANTINO:mcc Date dictated 5/5/61

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Date May 10, 1961

The following [redacted] was among those [redacted]

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by SA ANTHONY E. CONSTANTINO:mcc Date dictated 5/5/61

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100- 80532)
FROM : SA F.J. MC LAUGHLIN, Jr.
SUBJECT: HERB APTHEKER
SM-C

DATE: 12 MAY 1961

NY 694-S* advised on 3/30/61, that the National and New York State offices of the Communist Party; the Editorial and Office Staff of "The Worker," an East Coast weekly Communist newspaper, currently occupy the premises at 23 W. 26th St., NYC.

The above captioned subject was observed at 23 W. 26th St., as indicated below:

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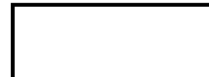
TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C2006)

Date: 5/15/61

FROM : SA JOSEPH T. O'LEARY (422)

SUBJECT: YOUTH BRANCH, KCCP
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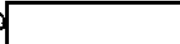
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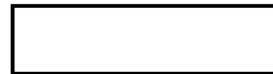
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On [redacted] was held at the residence of [redacted] Brooklyn, N.Y., from 7:30 PM to 10:15 PM, at which the following members were present:

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The agenda included (1) A discussion on Mass Work, and (2) A report on the CP, USA Negro Commission meeting [redacted] and also (3) A report by [redacted] on the "Advance" Convention [redacted]

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✓ [redacted] suggested that arrangements be made to have a prominent speaker, such as HERBERT APTHEKER, attend a meeting for potential recruits to be held on [redacted] in order to present the program of the Communist Party to these individuals.

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[redacted] suggested that such a meeting, if approved should be a social affair.

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[redacted] stated that he would seek the approval of [redacted]

[redacted] also stated that he would seek the approval of [redacted] to have the members of the [redacted] the meetings of the other [redacted] in Brooklyn to personally solicit potential recruits.

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[redacted] announced that [redacted] has one potential;
[redacted] has two potentials; [redacted] has 4 or 5 potentials;
and that he had one or two also.

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It was announced that the next meeting would be held
on 5/6/61 by the Youth Branch.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-427536)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-133884)
SUBJECT: CP, USA
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY
NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS
IS - C

DATE: 5/15/61

ReBulets, dated 2/6/59, 7/2/59, 12/30/59 and
4/18/61.

The following is being set forth relative to
the National Committee (NC) members of the Communist
Party (CP) in the New York City area.

It should be noted that portions of the infor-
mation set forth below have been furnished by highly
placed informants and sources and extreme caution
should be exercised in the dissemination of any of this
material to insure the protection of these sources.

2- Bureau (100-427536) (RM)
1- New York (100-129629) [REDACTED]
1- New York (100-80532) (HERBERT APTHEKER) (415)
1- New York (100-32826) [REDACTED]
1- New York (100-56579) [REDACTED]
1- New York (100-25623) [REDACTED]
1- New York (101-559) [REDACTED]
1- New York (100-106126) [REDACTED]
1- New York (100-23825) (BENJAMIN DAVIS) (415)
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1- New York (100-16785)	[REDACTED]
1- New York (100-16021)	(ARNOLD JOHNSON) (415)
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1- New York (100-9595)	(WILLIAM WEINSTONE) (415)

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ALBERTSON, WILLIAM

ALBERTSON is a member of the NC representing the NY District, and functions as Coordinator-Organizer of the CP Youth Commission. In addition, ALBERTSON holds the position of Chairman of the Food Club of the Food and Bakers Region, Industrial Division of the NY District CP. ALBERTSON is currently employed by International Publishers, Inc., NYC, which firm is headed by ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG.

Information received indicates that the CP, USA, desires to take over the direct control of International Publishers, Inc., from TRACHTENBERG and has positioned ALBERTSON in this firm, in an effort to gain control of International Publishers, Inc.

✓ APTHEKER, HERBERT

APTHEKER is an at large member of the NC, and serves as Director of the NY School for Marxist Studies, NYC. In addition, APTHEKER functions as Editor of "Political Affairs", and also serves as a member of the Board of Editors of "Mainstream".

On 5/2/61, APTHEKER delivered a speech at Queens College, Queens, New York. Approximately 150 students of the College were in attendance during APTHEKER's speech.

AUERBACH, SOLOMON

AUERBACH is an at large member of the NC, who is commonly known as JAMES ALLEN.

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ALLEN reportedly will take over HY LUMER's duties as CP, USA Educational Director. LUMER, who will in the near future begin serving an 18 month prison sentence for violation of the Labor-Management Relation Act-Conspiracy Statute, has been given a leave of absence from his duties in order to arrange his affairs.

Information recently obtained indicates that ALLEN has moved into LUMER's office at CP headquarters, New York City.

BART, PHILIP

BART is an at large member of the NC, and holds the title of CP National Organization Secretary. BART is a member of the Special Organization Commission and Latin-American Commission of the NY CP District. In addition, BART functions as a member of the CP National Board.

BART continues to be very active in the day to day handling of affairs at CP headquarters, New York City, and in the recent past has traveled to New Haven, Connecticut and Boston, Massachusetts, on CP organizational matters.

BERT, ERIK

BERT is an at large member of the NC, and serves as Managing Editor of "The Worker".

NY 100-133884

BERT departed from the United States on 3/23/61, to attend an Economic Conference to be held by the "World Marxist Review" in Prague, Czechoslovakia. This conference was scheduled to last for 10 days, after which time BERT was expected to travel to Leipzig, German People's Republic, where, during the period 4/5-11/61, he was to attend a conference on "New Imperialism". Upon termination of this conference BERT was scheduled to travel to Moscow, USSR. BERT has not as yet returned from his trip abroad.

COLON, JESUS

COLON is an at large member of the NC, and is employed by "The Worker" for which he writes a weekly column.

COLON was recently named Chairman of the Puerto Rican Commission of the New York District CP, and was also appointed temporary chairman of the newly formed Latin American Club of the Kings County CP District.

COLON continues to devote most of his time to Latin American matters, specializing in Cuban affairs.

CRENOVICH, MICHAEL AARON

CRENOVICH is a member of the NC representing the NY District, and is reportedly a member of the Latin-American Commission of the NY CP District. CRENOVICH is active in the affairs of the Industrial Division of the CP, and is regularly in attendance at meetings of the NY District CP Board.

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At a meeting of CP functionaries held in March, 1961, GUS HALL criticized CRENOVICH's attitude and refused to appoint him to a committee being established to study and amend the CP, USA Constitution. CRENOVICH, since that time, has personally contacted HALL and has apparently reconciled his differences with him. HALL has stated that he appreciates CRENOVICH's forthright attitude in approaching him on this matter.

DAVIS, BENJAMIN J. JR.

DAVIS is an at large member of the NC, and holds the position of CP, USA National Secretary. He also functions as a member of the CP National Board.

DAVIS, in the recent past, has exhibited signs of discontent with the Party, and has expressed bitterness toward the national leadership. He feels that the national leaders prefer to stay in their offices and talk, rather than partake in any positive CP activity.

At a recent meeting of the CP National Board, DAVIS was highly critical of PHIL BART and JACK STACHEL for their having changed the wording of a cablegram to the Soviet Union, expressing congratulations on the launching of a man into space. DAVIS complained that this action was taken without consulting him, and accused STACHEL of white chauvinism. Shortly thereafter, GUS HALL stated that DAVIS had walked into CP headquarters and announced he was "quitting" the CP. DAVIS, however, appeared at CP headquarters on the next day and acted as though nothing had ever happened.

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On 5/9/61, a special meeting of the CP National Board and invited guests was held in NYC, to discuss the problem of BEN DAVIS. The Board meeting, headed by GUS HALL, accused BEN DAVIS of political immaturity. CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT accused DAVIS of indiscriminately using the term white chauvinism, and criticized DAVIS for his lack of Party work. JAMES JACKSON, CLARENCE HATHAWAY and PHIL BART also criticized DAVIS for his factional tendencies.

DAVIS countercharged, and specifically accused JACK STACHEL of white chauvinism. DAVIS claimed that STACHEL represented the "right" of the Party. Generally, he charged bossism in the Party, and conspiracy against him personally. DAVIS threatened that if the Board went against him he would carry the affair to the next CP National Convention, if necessary.

The Board failed to arrive at a final decision concerning this matter, and DAVIS was given two weeks to think things over.

DAVIS, in a subsequent conversation with his wife told her that a meeting had been held concerning him. He inferred that the subject of his car (CP's car) was brought up and that it was stated that he should either use the car on Party business or give it up. He added, he has a car, but does not have enough money to feed his family.

DAVIS' wife did not appear at all interested in his CP difficulties stating that she wanted "a home life" and not a "political life".

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DAVIS, in a later discussion with ESTHER CANTOR, a NY District CP functionary, stated that he still has his "arms and legs" but that he has been "quartered" and "castigated".

FLYNN, ELIZABETH GURLEY

FLYNN is an at large member of the NC, and functions as National Chairman of the CP, USA. In addition, FLYNN holds membership on the CP, USA National Board.

FLYNN is at the present time on a trip to the West Coast making speeches concerning her recent trip abroad. FLYNN has visited such major cities on the West Coast as Seattle, Washington, San Francisco, California, and Los Angeles, California. She has, during this trip, held press conferences and appeared on radio program. FLYNN is expected to return to NYC in the latter part of May, 1961.

FRIEDLANDER, MIRIAM

FRIEDLANDER is a member of the NC, representing the NY District and continues to hold the title of Bronx County Organizer. FRIEDLANDER regularly attends meetings of the NY District CP Board.

FRIEDLANDER was in the recent past active in heading up preparations for the 1961 May Day celebration held at Washington Square in NYC.

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GERSON, SIMON

GERSON is an at large member of the NC. In addition, he holds membership on the Political Action and Legislation Commission of the NY CP District.

GERSON continues his employment with Afton Tours, NYC, and reportedly is contemplating a trip to Israel to visit his father.

HALL, GUS

HALL is an at large member of the NC, and holds the position of General Secretary of the CP, USA. In addition, HALL is also a member of the recently created CP National Board.

HALL continues to be most active in all phases of CP work on a national level, and recently traveled to Chicago, Illinois, for the purpose of making a May Day speech.

As was previously stated, HALL has of late been concerned with the activities of BEN DAVIS, and was responsible for the meeting of the CP National Board on 5/9/61, at which DAVIS' position was discussed. It would seem that HALL has become completely disenchanted with DAVIS as a CP national leader.

HALL reportedly is also quite concerned over the fact that the New York State Legislature has passed a law making it illegal for convicted Smith Act subjects to drive or be licensed in the State of New York.

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Presently HALL drives in New York State but does not utilize a New York State Operator's License, but instead carries an Ohio Operator's License. The car he drives is not registered in his own name but rather in the name of JOE BRANDT (NY District CP member) of New York City, who is an old acquaintance of HALLs from Cleveland. Because of this new legislation HALL is now considering establishing legal residence in Ohio, in order to avoid any difficulty in regard to his use of an automobile in New York State.

HATHAWAY, CLARENCE

HATHAWAY is an at large member of the NC, and holds the position of Chairman of the NY District. He is also a member of the recently formed CP National Board, and a member of the Peace Commission, Trade Union Commission and the Political Action and Legislation Commission of the NY CP District.

HATHAWAY has recently recovered from an asthmatic attack, and has resumed his CP activities.

JACKSON, JAMES E.

JACKSON is an at large member of the NC, and holds the position of Editor of "The Worker". JACKSON also serves as a member of the CP National Board.

JACKSON, in the recent past, has attended only a limited number of meetings of the National CP Leadership, apparently dividing his time between covering activities at the United Nations (UN) and fulfilling his duties as Editor of "The Worker".

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JACKSON recently has addressed the Marxist Discussion Clubs of Queens College and the City College of New York, his topic being "What Communism Is". He has described these meetings as being successful, with the students in attendance asking intelligent questions.

JOHNSON, ARNOLD

JOHNSON is an at large member of the NC, and functions as a member of the Peace Commission of the NY CP District. JOHNSON was recently placed in charge of the legal defense work for the CP. PHIL BART has complained about the lack of activity on JOHNSON's part in regard to "defense matters". JOHNSON is apparently a close friend of GUS HALL and quite possibly owes his stature and position in the Party to his acquaintanceship with HALL.

JOHNSON departed from NYC on 4/25/61, at the head of a five man delegation to attend as a representative of the CP, USA, the May Day celebration in Moscow, USSR. He has not as yet returned from this trip.

Information has been received which indicates that other CP functionaries have criticized the selection of JOHNSON as a member of this delegation, claiming that he is a stooge for BEN DAVIS and has been relatively inactive in Party affairs.

LUMER, HYMAN

LUMER is an at large member of the NC, and holds membership on the CP National Board.

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On 2/20/61, the US Supreme Court denied Certiorari in LUMER's case under the LMRA of 1947.

On 5/6/61, a motion for reduction of sentence in LUMER's case was denied, and the other defendants in the case were ordered to begin serving their 18 month sentence immediately. LUMER, however, was granted a delay of 90 days because of the illness of his wife.

At a meeting of the CP National Board on 4/26/61, GUS HALL recommended that HY LUMER be relieved of all his assignments and duties until he comes out of prison. LUMER, who had previously requested that he be given a leave of absence in order to arrange his affairs prior to entering into prison, will apparently commence turning over his duties to JAMES ALLEN, who has reportedly been designated to succeed him in the post of CP, USA Educational Director.

LUMER continues, however, to frequent CP headquarters on almost a daily basis.

MC ADORY, MILDRED (EDELMAN)

MC ADORY is an at large member of the NC, and a member of the NY District CP Board, and a member of the Harlem Region Committee of the CP.

MC ADORY has recently attended CP leadership classes conducted by BEN DAVIS for selected members of the Harlem Region CP. In addition, she has, in April, 1961, attended meetings of the CP National Negro Commission

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MC ADORY is a strong supporter of BEN DAVIS and continually backs his activities as a CP national leader.

O'DELL, HUNTER PITTS

O'DELL is a member of the NC representing the South.

O'DELL continues to avoid any open connection with the CP, and has reportedly not made any contact with CP headquarters, NYC.

It has recently been determined that O'DELL is employed by the Committee to Aid the Southern Freedom Struggle, 312 West 125th Street, NYC, which committee is engaged in collecting funds for the assistance of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, which is headed by Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING.

PATTERSON, WILLIAM L.

PATTERSON is an at large member of the NC, and holds the position of Vice-Chairman of the NY District CP. PATTERSON is a member of the CP, USA Negro Commission and the NY District CP Negro Commission.

In addition, PATTERSON is a member of the Control Commission of the CP, USA, and a member of the Review, Appeals and Audit Committee of this Commission.

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PATTERSON has reportedly been named as the head of a special committee that will investigate the dissident CP groups in New Jersey, which has called itself "the New Jersey CP".

He regularly attends meetings of the National CP Leadership as well as meetings of the NY District CP Staff and Board.

POTASH, IRVING

POTASH is an at large member of the NC, and serves as Labor Secretary of the CP, USA. He has been elected to membership on the CP National Board and regularly attends CP meetings on a national level.

In furtherance of his duties as Labor Secretary, POTASH has continued to communicate with the Canadian CP, and in April, 1961, arranged for a representative of the CP, USA, and a representative of the Canadian CP, to meet during the United Auto Workers Economic Convention, held in Detroit in April, 1961.

POTASH's status with INS remains unchanged. He continues under Order of Supervision awaiting deportation.

ROBESON, PAUL, JR.

ROBESON, JR. is a member of the NC representing the NY District, and continues to be a leading functionary in the Harlem CP Region.

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ROBESON, JR. on 4/4/61, traveled to Russia to visit his father, PAUL ROBESON, SR., who is reportedly sick in Russia. He is expected to remain in Russia for approximately another month.

ROSENBLUTH, NAT

ROSENBLUTH is a member of the NC representing the NY District.

GUS HALL, at a recent meeting of CP functionaries, criticized ROSENBLUTH along with MICHAEL CRENOVICH because of their poor attitude. ROSENBLUTH has reportedly become more active in CP affairs since that time, and has been attending and actively participating in meetings of the CP Industrial Board.

RUBIN, MORTIMER DANIEL

RUBIN is an at large member of the NC representing youth. He functions as CP, USA National Youth Director, and is principally involved in Youth work and the publication of "New Horizons for Youth".

In the first part of April, 1961, RUBIN visited the Midwest on CP Youth matters. At a meeting of the CP National Board, for which RUBIN reportedly will work, he gave a report on his recent trip to the Midwest, and his trip to the West Coast. RUBIN, in this report, made several proposals concerning Youth, including the proposal that the Youth question be placed before a national discussion group of the Party, possibly the National Committee.

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RUBIN has, in the past, suffered from a tubercular condition, and it appears that he is on occasion somewhat disabled by his delicate physical condition.

STACHEL, JACK

STACHEL is an at large member of the NC, and Chairman of the National Groups Commission of the CP, USA. In addition, STACHEL functions as a member of the CP National Board.

As was previously stated, STACHEL has been one of the major principals in the controversy regarding BEN DAVIS. It appears that DAVIS, although highly critical of the national leadership, has singled STACHEL out for special criticism, and has openly charged him with white chauvinism.

TORMEY, BETTY GANNETT

TORMEY is a member of the NC representing the NY District, and also serves as a member of the Full-Time Staff of the NY State CP. She functions as Organizational and Educational Director of the NY District; and is active as an instructor at the NY School for Marxist Studies. In addition, GANNETT has taken an active part in proposing the issuance of "Party Affairs".

It has recently been determined that IRVING POTASH intends to submit to the Party "serious charges" against BETTY GANNETT because of the manner in which she has been claiming that her brother, HARRY YARIS, is being mistreated in Poland. GANNETT has alleged that YARIS has poor living accommodations and is not receiving proper medical care.

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TORMEY, JAMES

TORMEY is a member of the NC representing the NY District. He also holds the position of Kings County CP Organizer. TORMEY continues to be active in the affairs of the Kings County CP and has reportedly also been active in CP Educational matters.

WEINSTOCK, LOUIS

WEINSTOCK is a member of the NC representing the NY District, and functions as General Manager of "The Worker". WEINSTOCK is at present temporarily employed in his regular occupation as a painter, in order to maintain his pension rights in the Painters' Union.

WEINSTOCK appeared as a principal speaker at the May Day celebration held in Washington Square, NYC, and continues his efforts to raise funds for "The Worker".

WEINSTONE, WILLIAM

WEINSTONE was elected a member of the NC at a meeting of the NC held at NYC, 1/20-22/61. WEINSTONE continues to be active in the affairs of the CP, USA Educational Committee. He has recently been concerned with the organization of a CP National Training School, which was scheduled to be held in May, 1961. It has been determined that this school has now been cancelled as a result of an article appearing in "WALTER WINCHELL's Column" in a recent issue of "The New York Daily Mirror". This article called attention to the fact that a CP school was to be held in May, in New York. WEINSTONE and other CP leaders, apparently concerned over the leak of this information to the press, have cancelled the school.

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HERBERT APTHEKER
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On 4/28/61, [] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished photographs of material maintained by New Century Publishers, 832 Broadway, NYC.

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Enclosed herewith are two photographs of letters, one to Dr. HERBERT APTHEKER from one JESSE AUERBACH, and the other, to APTHEKER from one GENE SCHULKIL.

These letters are being forwarded to the Chicago office for information purposes only.

A documentation of New Century Publishers is contained in "The Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications."

On 12/14/59, CG 5824-S characterized HERBERT APTHEKER as a member of the National Committee of the CPUSA.

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HERBERT APTHEKER
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Enclosed herewith is a photograph of a letter to Dr. APTHEKER from one DAVID EVANIER. This letter is being forwarded the Boston office for information purposes only.

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Dr. APTHEKER is HERBERT APTHEKER, characterized on 12/14/59, by CG 5824-S, as a member of the National Committee of the CPUSA.

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HERBERT APTHEKER
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Enclosed herewith is a photograph of a letter to HERBERT APTHEKER from one CHARLOTTE SAXE.

This letter is being forwarded to the Cincinnati Office for information purposes only.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532)

DATE: 5/15/61

FROM : SA FRANCIS J. COSTIGAN

SUBJECT: HERBERT APTHEKER
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On [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG, on the same date, inquired of HERBERT APTHEKER the title of APTHEKER's new book. He was told the title is "The Young Republic 1783-1800."

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The above information may not be made public except in the usual proceeding following the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

The person to be subpoenaed is [REDACTED]
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by SA WILLIAM G. CURRALL/mep Date dictated 5/9/61

SAC, NEW YORK (100-10989)

5/22/61

SA FRANCIS J. COSTIGAN

NEW CENTURY PUBLISHERS
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On 4/28/61, [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished photographs of material maintained by New Century Publishers, 832 Broadway, NYC.

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Attached to the original copy of this memorandum are photographs of the list of employees of New Century Publishers as of 4/21/61.

The list is as follows:

JOSEPH FELSHIN
HERBERT APTHEKER
ISRAEL GABIN
LEON LOVE
FRIEDA NORMAN
MADELINE BRADSHAW
ISADORE WOFSY
ROBERT FOREY
LOUISE PATTERSON
ORVILLE E.E. LINTON

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February 6, 1961

Dr. Herbert Aptheker
Director, New York School
for Marxist Study
32 Ludlam Place
Brooklyn 25, New York

Dear Dr. Aptheker:

We take pleasure in inviting you to take part in the WBAI Commentary Series. As you know the program is 15 minutes in length and will be broadcast at 7:00 PM and rebroadcast at 10:00 AM the following morning. The date of Broadcast has been set for February 28; you may either broadcast "live" or tape the program in advance. If you would prefer to tape the program, please let me know and I will make the necessary arrangements.

Cordially,

Gene Bruck
Gene Bruck,
Program Director

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asked what
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532)

DATE: 5/22/61

FROM : SA FRANCIS J. COSTIGAN

SUBJECT: HERBERT APTHEKER
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On 4/28/61, [] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished photographs of material maintained by New Century Publishers, 832 Broadway, NYC.

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Attached herewith is a photograph of a letter dated 2/6/61, to HERBERT APTHEKER from GENE BRUCK, Program Director, Radio Station WBAI.

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MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-81675) DATE: 5/17/61

FROM : SA JOSEPH A. CULLEN (#415)

SUBJECT: CP, USA - PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS
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CARE MUST BE USED IN REPORTING THE FOLLOWING
INFORMATION SINCE ITS VERY NATURE TENDS TO IDENTIFY A
SENSITIVE AND HIGHLY PLACED INFORMANT.

On 5/1/61, [redacted]
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[redacted] CP Headquarters, NYC, [redacted] and
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prospect of his going to prison in the near future.

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TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C43) (422)

DATE: 5/19/61

FROM: SA ROBERT P. SMITH (422)

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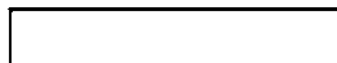
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Meeting of KCCP Council,
4/17/61, at 1110
Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn,
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A copy of informant's report follows:

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On 4/17/61, a meeting of the Kings County CP Council was held at 1110 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Present were:

JIM TORMEY - Chairman
SAM SEFF
ROSE SHAW
BERTHA COLON
LEO RABOUINE
DANNY RUBEL
GERRY ROOT

GUSSIE SPARER
JACK YELLIN
ALICE SELIGSON
RALPH SELIGSON
ANN FRIEDLANDER
MILTON KESSLER

JIM TORMEY said that the Party feels that the United States aids and abets the Cuban invasion. He said the Party should call for the arrest of anti-Castro forces and a cessation of their activities in the United States, the re-establishment of diplomatic relations with Cuba, and a policy of "hands-off Cuba" for the United States.

He said that the Fair Play for Cuba Committee is actively engaged in demonstrating at the United Nations, New York City.

It was brought out at the meeting that 238 individuals have been re-registered in the CP in Brooklyn to date.

ALICE SELIGSON said that there have been only seven new subscriptions to "The Worker" in the last five weeks. It is believed that she meant in Brooklyn.

The following are the amounts of money needed by the various CP areas in Brooklyn to make their quotas in the Sustaining Fund Drive by 4/30/61:

Brownsville	\$225	Bedford-Styvesant	142
Coney Island	163	Crown Heights	165
Boro Hall	152	Jewish	25

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Flatbush	66
Boro Park	37.50
Bay Ridge	75
Brighton	21

Manhattan Beach made 150% of its quota, and Bath Beach has made its quota.

LEO RABOUINE said that the members of the Peace Club have refused to contribute to the Sustaining Fund, and ALICE SELIGSON said she would attend the next Peace Club meeting in an effort to straighten out the matter.

It was also mentioned that there were four clubs not represented at this Council meeting, and their absence worked a hardship on the Council. It was stated that if a club organizer could not make a Council meeting, then a club member should be designated to attend.

There will be a meeting on 4/30/61 at 3200 Coney Island Ave., Brooklyn, to which Party members and their friends are invited. GUS HALL is scheduled to speak on "The First 100 Days of the KENNEDY Administration."

On Sunday, 5/7/61, there will be a county-wide conference on the Negro Question at 1110 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, N.Y., and attendance is by invitation only. This conference will be from 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m., and WILLIAM L. PATTERSON will give a report on "Negro and White Unity, and the Struggle for Freedom." All club organizers and a minimum of two members from each club should attend, and any other club members engaged in Negro work should also attend.

The following is a schedule of future meetings:

4/24/61	Peace Club, at residence of MILDRED CORBIN, [redacted] [redacted]
4/26/61	CP Caucus on Jewish Question, at ANN FRIEDLANDER's, [redacted] Members from State will attend.

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- 4/27/61 First of six sessions of the Crown Heights class, at 570 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn. HERBERT APTHEKER will speak on "Fundamentals of Marxism-Leninism."
- 5/5/61 Film on China at 1110 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn. Sponsor unknown.
- 5/15/61 KCCP Council
- 4/23/61 Crown Heights Forum, at 1110 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn. MORRIS SCHAPPES, Editor of "Jewish Currents" will speak.

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On 5/18/61, a photo of [REDACTED] (NY 100-138920-1A1) was exhibited to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

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✓ Informants advised person depicted in photo is identical to [REDACTED] whom informants observed in attendance at NYSMS classes taught by Dr. HERBERT APTEKER in [REDACTED]

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ReBulet 12/12/56, advised that a review of each issue of "Political Affairs" should be made with a view of effecting probable identification of authors. In the event a probable identification is not made, it will be necessary for each office to open a case and conduct investigation to attempt to effect the identification and further to cause to be conducted such investigation as is necessary to determine if the individual should be included in the SI.

Copies of this letter are being designated for the NY files of the probable authors, who have written articles, letters and/or book reviews appearing in the May, 1961 issue of "Political Affairs." In the event the probable author or authors is determined to be residing in other than the NYC area, the office covering such residence is to be notified and a case file opened to determine if the probable author is to be included in the SI.

Listed below are the titles of articles, the pages of the articles and the names of the authors appearing in the May, 1961 issue of "Political Affairs."

<u>Title of Article</u>	<u>Pages</u>	<u>Authors</u>
May Day and the Shorter Work Week	11-17	LOUIS WEINSTOCK
Civil Liberties and Democracy	18-28	ARNOLD JOHNSON
Ideas In Our Time	29-36	HERBERT APTHEKER
The American Indian Today	37-44	M.S. HARRISSE

(With special reference to Washington State)

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For the information of the Seattle Office, the article by one M.S. HARRISSE reviewed the present economic situation of the American Indians in the Northwest Section of the United States.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

New York, New York
May 23, 1961

Re: Freedom Ride, 1961
Racial Matters
Destruction of Aircraft or
Motor Vehicle; Civil Rights

On May 22, 1961, a Confidential Source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that a meeting of leading functionaries of the Communist Party, United States of America (CPUSA) was held in Communist Party (CP) headquarters on that date. Among those in attendance were:

Gus Hall, General Secretary, CPUSA.
James Jackson, member of National Committee (NC), CPUSA, and editor of "The Worker", an east coast Communist weekly publication.
Ben Davis, National Secretary, CPUSA.
Irving Potash, Labor Secretary, CPUSA
Jack Stachel, member of NC, CPUSA
William L. Patterson, Vice Chairman, New York District (NYD) CPUSA.
Herbert Aptheker, member of NC, CPUSA.
William Weinstone, member of NC, CPUSA.

The meeting was concerned mainly with the current situation in Alabama. James Jackson, editor of "The Worker," said the paper should editorially seek to assemble the broadest forces in the country, particularly such trade unions as the steel workers, the United Auto Workers in Atlanta, the Amalgamated in Mississippi, and others to assume a major responsibility in moving the local membership to positive action on the side of the Negro people. He said the CP should pinpoint the obvious culprits in this situation, namely, the monsters, John Patterson, Bull Connors and the State officials of Montgomery, who are members of the White Citizens Council.

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Secondly, the Party must pinpoint the responsibility of the Government for meeting the challenge with all required force and the culpability of the Kennedy Administration in having deferred the exercise of its responsibility on Civil Rights. Pressure must be brought on the Kennedy Administration to make Federal intervention adequate in force to meet the present emergency situation. The Freedom Riders have dramatized the lack of desegregation on interstate carriers. According to Jackson, one report is that the Marshals stood by while the National Guard took over exercising their functions and maintained a kind of house arrest of a thousand Negroes. The Southern United States Marshals reportedly used tear gas in such a manner that it all went into the church rather than into the mob. Jackson described as one serious development being the fraternal telegram from the Governor of Mississippi to the Governor of Alabama, pledging full resources of Mississippi in the struggle for states rights. Jackson said "This is a spreading of civil war and insurrection" and "The Worker" should point this out and point out the need for Federal troops to restore law and order in Alabama.

Ben Davis said the Federal Government has the right to go into any state to put down domestic violence and this is now necessary in Alabama. He said the CP should demand that integrated units of the Army go into the State of Alabama and enforce the law. Davis said there is to be an open air meeting in Harlem (New York City) this coming week end. He did not elaborate.

William Patterson said a delegation should go before every State Legislature and demand executive order from the Governor declaring a ban on racism in any form.

Irving Potash recommended a demand for a Federal injunction against the Governor of Alabama to restrain him from inciting violation of the Constitution and inciting mob violence. He suggested that the Party explore the possibility of United Nations action in this matter. He also suggested that general membership meetings be called through "The Worker"

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to mobilize "our own comrades" to orientate them and generate initiative on their parts in their own organizations and work. Potash urged that open air meetings be organized by the Party and the possibility of a United Front picket line be explored, the line to be in front of "The Department of Justice in Foley Square" (United States Court House, Foley Square, New York City) to dramatize these demands.

Jack Stachel recommended agenda of forthcoming National Executive Committee (NEC) meeting (May 27-28) be revised in order to discuss action that the Party may be able to take in connection with the current racial situation.

✓ Herbert Aptheker suggested the possibility of student demonstrations being considered. Aptheker made reference to a report of the Attorney General which says "that he had contacted the FBI and asked the FBI to investigate the possibility of the bus coming to Montgomery from Birmingham and a special FBI team investigated and then reported to the Attorney General that on the basis of its information, it was now safe. Thereupon the bus took off. The FBI was instructed to contact the Police forces of Montgomery and assure the presence of protection upon the arrival of the bus. Well, we know what happened - no Police were present." Aptheker continued with "it appears the intelligence of the FBI is the equal of the intelligence of the CIA. The direct implication in this failing of the Federal Government and of J. Edgar Hoover, it seems to me, is a very important point which we should bring forward."

James Jackson said the Party should stimulate and call for unions and students to send white-Negro excursions into the South. He said, "certainly it would be possible from the University of Texas, University of Miami and that medical school in Atlanta where the student body is one third to one half northern students." Aptheker asked whether the Party was making any plans to send someone to the South. Jackson suggested that he and Aptheker go to Montgomery with "the credentials of our paper."

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In conclusion, Ben Davis again mentioned the possibilities of a picket line at the Federal Building, Foley Square, and also suggested that the Party see to what extent "Left forces" could be included in a Union Square meeting.

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Remytel, 5/22/61.

There are transmitted herewith 8 copies of a letterhead memorandum concerning a meeting of leading functionaries of the CPUSA, held in CP headquarters, NYC, on 5/22/61.

The confidential source utilized was [REDACTED]

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This memorandum has been classified ~~confidential~~ because it contains information from a source, the unauthorized disclosure of which would seriously impair the investigation of the CPUSA and such impairment could have an adverse effect upon the national defense interests of the country.

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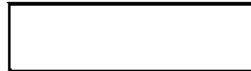
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ReBulet dated 4/27/61, regarding a possible speaking engagement at Cornell University by HERBERT APTHEKER, CP, USA, National Committee member.

For the information of the Bureau and New York, no additional information has been received in this matter and according to established sources at Cornell University, no scheduling arrangements have been made for this speech.

If and when APTHEKER does speak at Cornell, Bureau instructions contained in referenced letter will be followed.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80532)

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FROM : SAC, WFO (100-20950)

SUBJECT: HERBERT APTHEKER
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GUS HALL, GENERAL SECRETARY, CPUSA, ADVISED THAT DATE THAT
JAMES E. JACKSON, EDITOR OF QUOTE THE WORKER END QUOTE AND
MEMBER OF NATIONAL BOARD, CPUSA, AND HERBERT APTHEKER, MEMBER
NATIONAL COMMITTEE, CPUSA, ARE LEAVING NEW YORK CITY ON
MONDAY, MAY TWENTY NINE, SIXTY ONE, FOR MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA,
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APTHEKER DESCRIBED WHITE, FORTY FIVE, FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY POUNDS, BUSHY BROWN GREYING HAIR, EYES HAZEL, MEDIUM BUILD. INASMUCH AS JACKSON, UNTIL RECENTLY, WAS SOUTHERN REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CPUSA, IT IS ANTICIPATED HE PROBABLY WILL CONTACT GEORGE MEYERS, CURRENTLY HEAD OF SOUTHERN REGION IN BALTIMORE, AND MARY KALB IN RICHMOND, MEMBER SOUTHERN REGIONAL COMMITTEE, EN ROUTE TO MONTGOMERY. NEW YORK WILL FURNISH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING ITINERARY AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE. PERTINENT OFFICES SHOULD EFFECT SUCH COVERAGE AS DEEMED FEASIBLE TO COVER JACKSON'S AND APTHEKER'S ACTIVITIES ON SAID TRIP. PHOTO FOLLOWS.

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